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# RADIO TO CARRY MAYORAL FIGHT

Mansfield and Curley on  
Air Saturday—Both Bid  
For Labor Support

## HICKEY BACKS UP THE EX-TREASURER

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Boston's three mayoral battlefronts remained calm yesterday following the week-end devoted to a discussion of the platform set forth by Frederick W. Mansfield, former state treasurer, Saturday. Mansfield, Curley and Coakley spent the day outlining their speaking campaigns which will open toward the end of the week.

Both Mansfield and Curley will make their radio debuts to the voters of the city Saturday night from Station WNAC. To Mansfield will go the honor of first appearance with his opponent following a few minutes later. Each will be allotted 10 minutes between the hours of 7 and 8 o'clock.

### HICKEY FOR MANSFIELD

Representative William P. Hickey of South Boston, chairman of the Democratic ward committee of ward 6, yesterday indorsed former State Treasurer Mansfield in an open letter made public last night. In his letter, Representative Hickey recalled the Foss-Vahey fight for the Democratic nomination for the governorship in Faneuil Hall in 1910 when Mansfield was selected to hold the nomination until a choice was made. He praised Mansfield for handing over the nomination to former Gov. Foss in the face of repeated demands that he keep it for himself and pointed out the Democratic leadership that followed in the state.

"You were faithful to your trust then and I know, that as mayor of all the people you will be faithful to them," Hickey said. "You have always been with the underdog and particularly with organized labor, and it was through your efforts that the present livable conditions for men, women and children in the factories were made possible."

Both Curley and Mansfield received replies from their respective telegrams to President William Green of the American Federation of Labor sent a little over a week ago. Mr. Curley invited the annual convention to sit here, stating that he expected to be the next mayor. Mr. Mansfield in his telegram branded the Curley invitation as "presumptuous in the highest degree," and informed President Green that Mr. Curley was by no means certain of election. Mr. Green yesterday replied that he would give both telegrams his attention.

It became known last night that former Mayor Curley had dispensed with the services of his former publicity man and had engaged the services of a well known Boston newspaper man to handle that phase of his campaign.

During his last administration Mr. Curley rewarded his former aide with a position in the city industrial bureau at \$100 a week. The cause of the break is unknown.

### MANSFIELD STATEMENT

Mr. Mansfield gave out the following statement last night:

I am greatly pleased at the hundreds of messages which I have received in person, by telephone and by mail commending my platform.

Most of them tell me there is no doubt about my election. Typical of such messages is the following, which I received by letter today.

Dear Sir:

Your platform is admirable; especially cheering is that part of it which pledges an honest administration, one without graft and without bagmen, middlemen, or

political yegg-men. That alone, if nothing more, insures your triumphant election, because an overwhelming majority of the people want honest government, and will so vote on election day. There is no doubt whatever about it.

I believe that the people have already booked Ex-Mayor Curley for a permanent vacation. Of that he will be duly notified on Nov. 5, at which time, he will learn what everybody knows—that the people are the leaders today—and not the old-time political hacks who have been feeding at the public crib for more than a generation.

Mayor "Jimmie" Rolfe was a very poor witness for Mr. Curley. It was unfortunate that he should call attention to the fact that he had been mayor of San Francisco for 18 years and his father for 16 years—a period of 34 years for father and son. Do the people of Boston want to donate the mayor's chair to the Curley dynasty for 34 years? The answer is heard in every section of Boston—"No, Curley has had enough." His hour has struck.

Mansfield received a letter from Charles W. Hanscom of 124 Upland road, Quincy, declaring that union men of Boston, if true to themselves, would rally to Mansfield's support.

The letter stated: "You championed their cause for years, when they were attacked by the plutocracy of Massachusetts. Accept my congratulations from an old union man."

# PREDICTS HE WILL WIN BY

70,000

Democratic Women's Club  
Plans for Noonday Rallies in Campaign

Speaking at the opening of the new Women's Democratic Club headquarters, in the Hotel Bellevue, 19 Beacon st., former Mayor James M. Curley today revealed that he has more than 125,000 votes pledged to him and predicted that he would be elected mayor of Boston by a majority of 70,000.

The new Democratic Women's Club, the first of its kind ever organized in this city, has completed preparations for regular noonday rallies from now until election day.

After organizing at the Bellevue today the women elected Mrs. Colin W. McDonald, chairman, and Miss Ida Fendel of Dorchester, secretary.

### PLAN NOON RALLIES.

These noonday rallies, devoted exclusively to the women folk, an innovation in Boston politics and arrangements have been made for a woman and a man speaker each day.

Today's speaker was Henry Lawlor, who urged the women to make every effort to get unregistered women voters on the list before the last day for registration arrives.

Mr. Lawlor also outlined the needs of active preparation for the campaigns that are to be waged during the coming weeks on the part of ex-Mayor Curley.

Curley was also present at the opening meeting of the women and stressed the importance of a registration campaign among women.

### SEEK NEW VOTERS

The former mayor announced that a campaign was already under way to get back on the voting list the names of 40,000 persons dropped from the police listings since the last presidential election.

The Curley headquarters is hoping for a total of over 300,000 registered voters in Boston before election day and toward this end Curley has temporarily cast aside all other work that is necessary to assure his election.

The former mayor also announced that in the near future he would hold rallies at which all persons would be invited to attend regardless of the political party to which they belong.

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# REGISTER FOR CITY ELECTION

Booths in Each Ward  
Open Until 10 for  
12 Nights

To build up the list of registered voters for the city election on Nov. 5, the Board of Election Commissioners will open branch registration booths in each of the 22 wards in the city, beginning tomorrow night and continuing for 12 nights, so that eligible residents may qualify as voters without the necessity of visiting the central office at City Hall.

## CHANCE FOR 40,393

The 40,000 voters who were dropped from the list since the presidential election of last November, as well as those persons who have reached their majority and are now eligible may go to their neighborhood branches and qualify to vote for Mayor, school committee and city council in the impending election.

Boston had a record of 299,066 voters in the Hoover-Smith contest, but through the failure of the police to obtain their names in the canvass of the city on April 1, there were 40,393 voters dropped.

Yet Boston started out this year with a high total of 258,673 voters, and since former Mayor Curley organized his registration campaign at 22 Province street, 8533 more voters have been placed on the list, and it is expected that when registration closes at City Hall on Oct. 16, fully 30,000 more will be added.

Chairman Frank Seiberlich of the Election Commission pointed out last night that applicants cannot be registered at the branch offices unless their names are on the police list. Neither can foreign-born applicants unless they have their naturalization papers.

Open Until 10 P. M.

Persons who are not on the police list, but who can swear that they have lived in Boston since May 5, will be 21 years old on election day and are otherwise qualified as citizens, may register at central headquarters at City Hall, where officers will be on duty from 9 o'clock in the morning until 10 o'clock at night, beginning tomorrow and ending Oct. 16, with the exception of Sundays and Oct. 12, which is a holiday.

In selecting the branches for neighborhood registration work, the Election Commission has arranged to move the

ward offices every three days so that the residents of every section of the city will have an opportunity to register without walking very far. The places selected for this week follow:

Oct. 2, 3 and 4, From 6 to 10 P. M.

- Ward 1—Samuel Adams School, Webster street.
- Ward 2—Ward Room, Bunker Hill and Lexington streets.
- Ward 3—Cushman School, Parmenter street.
- Ward 4—Rice Training School, Appleton street.
- Ward 5—Abramam Lincoln School, Arlington street, corner Melrose street.
- Ward 6—Parkman School, West Broadway, between B and C streets.
- Ward 7—Gate of Heaven Club, 492 East Seventh street, between H and I streets.
- Ward 8—Joshua Bates School, Harrison avenue.
- Ward 9—Swedish Baptist Temple, Shawmut avenue and Rutland street.
- Ward 10—Farragut School, Fenwood road and Huntington avenue.
- Ward 11—Abby W. May School, Thornton street.
- Ward 12—Boston Clerical School, Warren street, (formerly Roxbury High School).
- Ward 13—Phillips Brooks School, Perth and Quincy streets.
- Ward 14—Atherton School, Columbia road.
- Ward 15—Quincy Street School, Quincy, corner Stanley street.
- Ward 16—Rochambeau School, Gibson street, near Adams street.
- Ward 17—Florence A. Nightingale School, Park street, near Washington street.
- Ward 18—Edmund P. Tleiston School, Norfolk street.
- Ward 19—Booth, Lamartine street, between Hubbard and Boylston streets.
- Ward 20—Longfellow School, South street, corner Hewlett street.
- Ward 21—William McKinley School, St. Mary's street, near Mountfort street.
- Ward 22—Thomas Gardner School, Athol street.

Oct. 5, 7 and 8, From 6 to 10 P. M.

- Ward 1—Paul Jones School, Horace and Byron streets.
- Ward 2—Copley School, Bartlett street.
- Ward 3—Municipal Building, Tyler street, corner Oak street.
- Ward 4—Trade School for Girls, entrance 75 Hemenway street.
- Ward 5—Prince School, Ward Room, Exeter street, corner Newbury street.
- Ward 6—Frederic W. Lincoln School, East Broadway, near E street.
- Ward 7—John Boyle O'Reilly School, Dorchester street.
- Ward 8—Municipal Building, Dudley street, corner Vine street.
- Ward 9—Asa Gray School, Weston street.
- Ward 10—Jefferson School, Heath street.
- Ward 11—Margaret Fuller School, Glen road.
- Ward 12—Williams School, Homestead street.
- Ward 13—Edward Everett School, Pleasant street, near Savin Hill avenue.
- Ward 14—Pauline Agassiz Shaw School, corner Morton and Norfolk streets.
- Ward 15—John Marshall School, Westville street.
- Ward 16—Ellen H. Richards School, Beaumont street.
- Ward 17—Frank V. Thompson School, Maxwell and Nelson streets.
- Ward 18—Municipal Building, River street.
- Ward 19—Francis Parkman School, Patten street, near Hyde Park avenue.
- Ward 20—Basement, Branch Public Library, Centre street, near Mt. Vernon street.
- Ward 21—Brighton High School, Cambridge and Warren streets.
- Ward 22—Ward Room, Washington street, near Market street.

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# M'MASTERS TO FIGHT CURLEY

Former Assistant in Attack on Ex-Mayor

William H. McMasters, formerly a strong supporter of ex-Mayor Curley, last night indicated that he has broken with the candidate for the mayoralty in the following statement:

"It is with the utmost reluctance that I am releasing this statement to the press. Only the compelling thought that in so doing I hope to perform a real public service prompts my action. I have decided not to support James M. Curley for Mayor. My reason is that after a careful analysis I am convinced that, in his present state of mind, it would not be safe to entrust the affairs of the city again to his administration.

"Many people familiar with Boston politics know of my advisory work in the two winning Curley campaigns for Mayor against Mr. Kenney and against Mr. Murphy, both nerve-racking and uphill fights. His mental attitude in campaigns where he felt that he must fight to win has always been rational. But in the present campaign, in which he is suffering from acute megalomania, it will be impossible to keep him within bounds of political sanity. I do not feel equal to the task of ministering to a case of uncontrollable egotism or crass arrogance that has reached the hopeless stage.

"These conclusions are based entirely upon observation and are not due to any personal differences. This makes my action regrettable but still necessary. Before the end of the campaign, what is now painfully evident to a few will become obvious to everybody. With so many examples of insolence already matters of record as Curley campaign propaganda it would seem that this statement needs no further amplification."

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# MAYORALTY FIGHT ON AIR

Curley and Mansfield on  
Radio Saturday

Boston's mayoralty fight will go on the air, beginning Saturday.

Both Frederick W. Mansfield and former Mayor Curley will speak from station WNAC, Saturday night. Mansfield will speak first, to be followed by his opponent a few minutes later.

Each candidate will be allowed 10 minutes between 7 and 8 o'clock.



# G. G. A. FORMALLY FOR MANSFIELD

10/2  
Issues Its Indorsement of  
Him for Mayor

Campaign of Curley Assailed  
as "Crude Propaganda"

Ex-Mayor, in Sharp Reply,  
Calls Criticism Weak

By JOHN D. MERRILL

The Good Government Association issued late yesterday afternoon its formal indorsement of Frederick W. Mansfield as a candidate for Mayor of Boston.

The organization, after setting forth Mr Mansfield's qualifications for the office, expresses confidence that he will be elected.

## The G. G. A. Statement

The statement, in part, follows:

"The candidates for Mayor are now determined. We may at this time properly indicate our preference.

"We indorse unqualifiedly Frederick W. Mansfield for Mayor of this city. In his profession he has long been known as an earnest advocate of the rights of labor, and has always deserved and won the respect of his opponents. He has served from the beginning as a member of the judicial council by appointment of three successive Governors and has contributed much to its success. His position as president of the Massachusetts Bar Association shows the regard in which the profession holds him.

"In politics his remarkable fight for the nomination as Governor, in which he defeated the bosses, is a happy augury for the present contest. The people of the whole Commonwealth recognized his ability and integrity by electing him State Treasurer. His platform is progressive and he has the patience, the courage, the breadth and the devotion to the public interests to make it a success.

## Refers to Curley Slogan

"Our citizens have now the opportunity to vote for clear-cut issues, and as by far the greater part of the electorate desires capable and honest administration, we are confident of the result. The wag who by the change of a single letter transformed "needs" into "feeds" in the signboard which one of the candidates displayed, was

wiser than he knew. He not only buried the sign in ridicule, but he pointed out what is in fact the issue of this campaign. The opportunity is here to prevent the return of machine rule.

"One candidate has indulged in a great deal of crude propaganda with regard to certainty of victory. Such propaganda is easy when there is only a single candidate, but in the situation which is now before the citizens of Boston, its desperate intensity is merely amusing. The truth is Mr Mansfield's candidacy offers an opportunity to all citizens to unite in electing an independent and capable Mayor. He can and will be elected.

"When elected, he will carry out the promises of his platform. We believe he will continue with the considerate treatment of city employees inaugurated by Mr Peters, and municipal contracts will be properly awarded. Such an administration will be not only worthy of the tercentenary of the foundation of our city, but will give us a new deal."

## Action No Surprise

The executive committee of the Good Government Association, which makes a list of the candidates to be supported for public office, is composed of Mrs Abigail Homans, Elliot N. Jones, Waldo S. Kendall, George R. Nutter, Mrs Hilda H. Quirk, Robert B. Stone and Arthur V. Woodworth. William Minot is treasurer and Laurence O. Pratt, secretary of the association.

The Good Government indorsement of Mr Mansfield surprises nobody. The only doubtful point about it was its date. In theory the function of the association is to go through a list of several candidates after they have been nominated and place its approval on the one preferred, but, in fact, almost without exception throughout its existence the organization has really, if not officially, made its choice for Mayor before the nomination papers were filed. That was the case this year. Mr Mansfield would not have run without the indorsement of the Good Government Association and he was doubtless assured of it before he entered the contest.

It is impossible to tell how many votes this indorsement will give Mr Mansfield. Conditions have changed, especially since last year, when the Democrats put thousands of new names on the voting lists, brought the total registration in the city up almost to 300,000, and made the total Democratic vote on election day almost double the Republican vote. No one knows how these new voters, many of whom are women, will react to the arguments and candidates of the Good Government Association.

## "Democrat" Label Important

If any one of the three candidates for Mayor could have the word "Democrat" appear after his name on the ballot next month he would doubtless be elected by a majority of 75,000 more or less. The city charter, however, does not permit party lines to be drawn on the ballot, but Ex-Mayor James M. Curley, who has been in the field for many months, is doing the next best thing. He has secured the indorsement of the Democratic city committee, although it was given at a meeting when the attendance was small, and in every other way possible he has tried to make it appear that he is the Democratic nominee for Mayor. Mr Mansfield and the third candidate, Daniel H. Coakley, both Democrats by profession and vote, are doing what they can to prevent Mr Curley from obtaining that technical advantage.

It looked for a long time as though Ex-Mayor Curley would have the field almost, if not quite, to himself, but the entrance of his two opponents has radically changed the situation. Mr Curley, against whom, as the leading candidate, all attacks are directed, must now fight for what seemed likely to drop into his hands almost without action on his part. Under these circumstances the tide does not seem to be sweeping so strongly in his direction as was the case when he was the only candidate in the field.

## Curley Issues Statement

Ex-Mayor Curley later issued a statement with reference to the indorsement. His statement said in part:

"The indorsement of Frederick W. Mansfield by the Good Government Association is the most anaemic effusion given to the public in the history of this organization, and upon perusal it appears as weak as the organization's support is of any candidate in a Boston election.

"It is most cautious in character and lacking in the dignity that a message of this nature intended to appeal to the intelligence should contain. It savors rather of a political circular general in the days of the old Common Council, now happily only a memory.

"In the concluding paragraph reference is made relative to the proper award of municipal contracts. The Mayor's authority is pretty definitely limited in the matter of the award of municipal contracts. The law requires that the award shall be made to the lowest responsible bidder.

"And with reference to the bait thrown out to city employees of considerate treatment, Civil Service rules today are a protective force for persons in the employ of the city of Boston.

## "Reflection" on Mayors

"The concluding sentence of the Good Government Association's announcement, namely, that such an administration will be not only worthy of the Tercentenary of the foundation of our city but will give us a new deal, is in the concluding lines, a reflection not only on the present but on the preceding administrations in the history of the city.

"The failure of the Good Government-indorsed Mayors is due to the lack of comprehensive knowledge of the finances, personnel, and problems of the various city departments. The business of government is as intricate in its detail as that of private business, and to achieve a measure of success requires not only diligent application to the duties of the office but executive and administrative ability, coupled with some measure of initiative. The entire people of the city pay in increased rentals or valuations the cost which can only be properly charged to lack of experience in the executive of the city, and I know of no business in the world where experience of a high order is classified as a liability.

"A comparative table of the cost of administering the city's affairs under those men who have received the Good Government Association indorsement and myself is interesting:

James M. Curley, Mayor, 1914-1917	
Average Rate \$17.75	
Increase under Mayor Curley, \$1.15.	
Andrew J. Peters, Mayor, 1918-1921	
Average Rate \$23.40	
Increase under this Good Government Association indorsed Mayor, \$5.65.	
James M. Curley, Mayor, 1922-1925	
Average Rate \$25.20	
Increase under Mayor Curley, \$1.80.	
Malcolm E. Nichols, Mayor, 1926-1929	
Average Rate \$29.65	

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Increase under this Good Government Association indorsed Mayor. \$4.45.

"It is for the people of Boston, relying upon their God-given intelligence to determine whether or no they are willing to impose upon themselves, to gratify the dictatorial 10 members of the Good Government Association, an increase in the cost of living represented by increased taxes and increased valuations.

"At a time like the present, where the competition between the leading cities of America is of the keenest possible character, it is imperative that all agencies work in harmony for the promotion of the industrial and commercial future of the municipality. From the assurances which I have received, I feel reasonably certain that the only agency, if I might dignify it by such a term, that is not in harmony with the program which I present is the obstructive agency styled the Good Government Association."

### Two to Speak on Radio

Mr Curley and Mr Mansfield, two of the three candidates for Mayor of Boston, expect to broadcast from Station WNAC Saturday evening. Daniel H. Coakley, the third candidate, has made no radio appointments, but is likely soon to follow the example set by his rivals. None of the candidates seems in a hurry to begin his rallies, but public meetings will be announced in the near future.

The Boston Election Department has finished its work of certifying names on nomination papers and nothing remains for the board to do unless some of the signatures are protested. The department does not guarantee the signatures it has certified on the nomination papers, but only that each signature represents the name of a voter who was qualified to sign a paper.

There may be trouble over some of the signatures on the nomination papers for the City Council from Ward 5, the Back Bay ward. A photographer went yesterday to the office of the Election Department and took pictures of some of the papers filed in behalf of Russell Codman Jr. It is assumed that the photographs were taken for examination by Mr Codman's opponents. Laurence Curtis 2d, and John W. Watson, although they did not file protests against any of Mr Codman's paper.

A city-wide drive to restore to the voting list names of 40,000 citizens, who have been dropped since the Presidential election of last year, will be started today under the direction of Mayoral candidates.

Mr Curley will open a women's "Curley for Mayor" headquarters at Hotel Bellevue with Mrs Colin W. McDonald in charge. Announcements from the headquarters of Mr Mansfield said that his workers were also busy locating persons not listed by the police April 1. They will be taken to ward registration booths to enroll again.

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## Harvey N. Shepard Out for Mansfield

The mayoralty candidacy of Frederick W. Mansfield today was indorsed by Harvey N. Shepard, Boston attorney and candidate for attorney general on the 1910 ticket of former Governor Eugene N. Foss. "I like your platform very much indeed," Mr. Shepard wrote to the candidate. "I most cordially indorse the whole of it. Best wishes for your success."

Attorney Henry Selvitella of 80 Orient avenue, East Boston, president of the East Boston Betterment Association, issued a statement today, denying that the association had indorsed former Mayor Curley. "Any statement that we have indorsed Curley's candidacy is absolutely false," said Mr. Selvitella.

Campaign workers in both the Mansfield and Curley camps are busy throughout the city in the drive for registration of voters, placing special efforts on attempts to restore to the voting lists the names of about 40,000 dropped in the police listing on April 1. The Curley workers have set 300,000 as the registration goal.

It was announced by Mansfield that he expects to announce tonight his schedule of rallies from now until election day, including radio addresses, street corner rallies and meetings in various halls throughout the city. Curley previously announced that his intensive campaign would be limited to the two weeks immediately preceding election day, Nov. 5.

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## CURLEY NOONDAY WOMEN'S MEETINGS

Will Be Conducted by  
Them at Bellevue

Noonday meetings conducted by women, for women, are to be held daily in the interests of the candidacy of James M. Curley for Mayor, in what was the grill room at Hotel Bellevue. Such a decision was taken at a meeting there this afternoon of 60 women from all over the city, every ward being represented, who, after organizing themselves as a group conducting Women's Democratic Headquarters in this campaign, chose Mrs Colin MacDonald as their chairman and Miss Ida Fendel of Dorchester as executive secretary.

Mrs MacDonald, a vice chairman of the Democratic State Committee, announced that Curley meetings will be held in the indicated room each week day until Nov 4, between noon and 1:30, and that some leading Democratic woman, and some male Democrat would be speakers each day.

Pres Henry Lawler of the Democratic city committee outlined its program for stimulation of registration of men and women for the coming city election, and urged all present to cooperate in the committee's drive.

Ex-Mayor Curley lauded Pres Lawler's program for the registration drive, so as to make good in the voting lists the 40,000 names dropped from the police at the April listing.

"Boston is overwhelmingly a Democratic city, and should be kept so," he said. "At our Province-st headquarters we have pledge cards signed by 125,000 voters, and this fact assures our triumph Nov 5 by a margin of at least 70,000 votes."



TRAVELER 10/2/29

## Women to Boom Curley's Candidacy



Group of Greater Boston women in the Curley headquarters at Hotel Bellevue. They will all take an active part in his campaign for mayor. Curley is in the rear row on the right.

## MANSFIELD HAS G. G. A. BACKING

### Women's "Curley for Mayor" Headquarters Opens at Bellevue

Indorsement of Frederick W. Mansfield for mayor by the G. G. A. and the caustic reply of former Mayor James M. Curley, both made in public statements, served to put some pep into the campaign insofar as the two candidates are concerned. Coakley is still working quietly.

The G. G. A. statement says that Mansfield "can and will be elected" and Curley comes back with the rejoinder that the G. G. A. indorsement is the "most anaemic effusion" in the history of the organization.

Curley will open the women's "Curley for Mayor" headquarters at Hotel Bellevue today. More than 500 women are expected. Both candidates will lend the aid of their organizations to the registration of voters.

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### 10/3 CURLEY'S TELEGRAM

Former Mayor Curley last night made public the following telegram he sent to the American Legion convention in Louisville, Ky.

Kindly accept my hearty congratulations in securing the national convention for Boston in 1930. The convention will be the leading feature of the tercentenary marking the 300th anniversary of Massachusetts and prove one of the most interesting patriotic events in our history.

As Mayor of Boston in 1930 I promise you every service which lies within my power to make this great convention a banner event for one of the most militant and fearless bodies of men who ever placed their lives upon the altar of our liberty.

RECORD 10/2/29

## 'GOO GOOS' PUT O. K. STAMP ON MANSFIELD

The Good Government Association last night placed the stamp of its official approval on the candidacy of Frederick W. Mansfield for Mayor of Boston, in a lengthy statement lauding his qualifications.

The "Goo Goo" statement said in part:

"The candidates for mayor are now determined. We may at this time properly indicate our preference. We endorse, unqualifiedly, Frederick W. Mansfield for mayor of this city. In his profession he has long been known as an earnest advocate of the rights of labor, and has always deserved and won the respect of his opponents."

The statement reviews his political and professional career and attacks Curley's claims of an already won victory as "crude propaganda."

Curley made reply that the "endorsement is the most anaemic effusion given to the public in the history of the organization, and "as weak as the organization's support of any candidate."

# G. G. A. DECLARES MANSFIELD CAN, WILL BE WINNER

Unqualifiedly Indorses His  
Candidacy for Mayor  
Of Boston

## 'CRUDE PROPAGANDA' OF A RIVAL RAPPED

Curley Assails Indorsement  
As an 'Anaemic  
Effusion'

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Declaring that former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield "can and will be elected" and sounding the battle cry that "the opportunity is here to prevent the return of machine rule" to City Hall, the Good Government Association last night indorsed his candidacy in a public statement that rapped the "crude propaganda" being put out by former Mayor Curley.

While the former mayor was not mentioned by name in the statement, the allusions to his advertising campaign left nothing to the imagination in the minds of the voters of the city regarding whom the School street organization was launching its attack against.

Praising Mr. Mansfield as a champion of labor and taking his defeat of the "bosses" when he won the Democratic nomination for Governor in 1916 and 1917 as "a happy augury for the present contest," the Good Government Association declares that when elected the former state treasurer will carry out the promises of his platform.

"We believe he will continue with the considerate treatment of city employees inaugurated by Mr. Peters and municipal contracts will be properly awarded," the statement says. "Such an administration will not only be worthy of the tercentenary of the foundation of our city, but will give us a new deal."

### CURLEY IN REJOINDER

Mr. Curley struck back promptly and vigorously with a statement declaring the G. G. A. indorsement the "most anaemic effusion" in the history of the organization. He quoted newspaper comments severely critical of Mansfield's ability and record when the latter was the Democratic candidate for Governor in 1916. Curley asserted that the city's history shows that taxes go up and the cost of living with them in the administrations of reform or

G. G. A. mayors. He referred to Mayors Peters and Nichols in this connection.

Both Mansfield and Curley will place their respective organizations in the field to help with the registration of new voters and in returning the 40,000 or more names to the voting lists that have been dropped since the presidential campaign last fall.

### DENIES INDORSING CURLEY

Former Mayor Curley will open the women's "Curley for Mayor" headquarters at Hotel Bellevue this morning, and upwards of 500 women are expected to answer the call sent out by Miss Ida Fendel of Dorchester for the meeting. Mrs. Colin W. McDonald of the Democratic state committee will be in charge of the campaign.

Both the men's and women's divisions of the Mansfield campaign headquarters on the fifth floor of the Lawyer's building at 11 Beacon street will be thrown open to the registration drive which begins in the various wards of the city tonight and lasts until Oct. 16. Mr. Mansfield will address the workers in both divisions.

A denial that the East Boston Betterment Association had indorsed Curley for mayor was contained in a statement issued yesterday by Atty. Henry Selvitella of 80 Orient avenue, East Boston, president of the organization. He declared that the club had not met since five weeks ago when nothing of a political nature was discussed.

Harvey N. Shepard, prominent Boston attorney, and one of the old-time Boston Democrats, yesterday indorsed Mr. Mansfield in a letter addressed to the former state treasurer. He was a candidate for attorney-general on the Foss ticket in 1910.

The first noontime rally that has made Pemberton square famous in every campaign for years past will be held tomorrow by James A. Watson, city councilman in the last Curley administration, and candidate for one of the two places on the school committee. Mansfield, Curley and Coakley will also hold rallies there during the campaign, with the former mayor scheduled to speak there the day before election, Nov. 4.

### THE G. G. A. INDORSEMENT

The executive committee of the Good Government Association, charged with the duty of making the final selection for indorsement of the mayoral candidates and which selected Frederick W. Mansfield, is made up of the following:

Abigail Homans, Eliot N. Jones, Waldo S. Kendall, George R. Nutter, Hilda H. Quirk, Robert B. Stone and Arthur V. Woodworth. Laurence O. Pratt is executive secretary. Nutter is considered the dominant figure.

The indorsement of Mr. Mansfield follows:

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### CURLEY REPLIES

Assails G. G. A. Indorsement of  
Mansfield as "Anaemic Effusion"

Mr. Curley last night issued the following statement with reference to the endorsement by the Good Government Association of Mansfield:

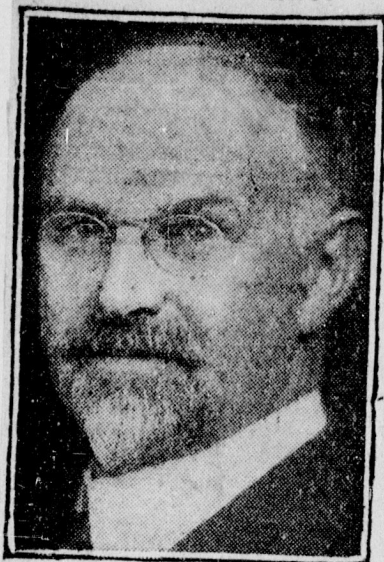
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## G. G. A. Leader



GEORGE R. NUTTER

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### QUOTES GOV. McCALL

And with reference to the bait thrown to city employees of considerate treatment, civil service rules today are a protective force for persons in the employ of the city of Boston.

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Great Britain and France and the vandal, after many centuries is again marching upon Rome, the small politics and petty personalities which Candidate Mansfield nightly pours out to empty halls sound like 'the chirping of the cricket mid the pealing of the trump of doom.'"

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James M. Curley, mayor 1922-1925. Average rate \$25.20. Increase under Mayor Curley \$1.80.

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At a time like the present, where the competition between the leading cities of America is of the keenest possible character, it is imperative that all agencies work in harmony for the promotion of the industrial and commercial future of the municipality. From the assurances which I have received, I feel reasonably certain that the only agency, if I might dignify it by such a term, that is not in harmony with the program which I present is the obstructive agency styled the Good Government Association.



# MANSFIELD ENDORSED BY G.G.A.

Lauded for Victory  
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## CURLEY HITS BACK AT MAYORAL RIVAL

Calls Statement of the  
Ass'n "Anaemic  
Effusion"

BY WILTON VAUGH

As predicted several weeks ago, the Good Government Association has formally endorsed the mayoralty candidacy of former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield, according to its official announcement made public last night by Secretary Laurence O. Pratt.

### "CAN AND WILL WIN"

The endorsement was voted by the members of the executive committee of the reform organization, comprising George R. Nutter, Mrs. Abigail Homans, Mrs. Hilda H. Quirk, Eliot N. Jones, Robert B. Stone, Waldo Kendall and Arthur V. Woodworth, and, true to custom, the decision was unanimous, the secretary reported.

In its statement, the G. G. A. approved the Mansfield campaign platform, and declared that he "can and will be elected" in the battle "to prevent the return of machine rule" to City Hall.

After reviewing Mansfield's record, the Good Government statement declares that his victory over the "bosses" for the gubernatorial nomination for Governor in 1916 and 1917 "is a happy augury for the present contest."

Ignoring Candidate Daniel H. Coakley, the Good Government Association plainly indicates that it will spend the \$25,000 fund which it is collecting in an effort to stop the re-election of former Mayor Curley.

### Hits Billboard Ads

Without naming him, the statement criticises the Curley billboards, bearing the inscription "Boston Needs Curley." Referring to these signs, the G. G. A. declares "the wag who by the change of a single letter transformed 'needs' to 'feeds' was wiser than he knew. He not only buried the sign in ridicule, but he pointed out what is in fact the issue of this campaign."

While the former State Treasurer was receiving official notification of his selection by the Good Government Association, the former Mayor was completing plans for opening Curley headquarters for women workers at the Hotel Bellevue today.

Mrs. Colin W. MacDonald of the Democratic State committee, who had charge of women's activities in the Smith campaign here last fall, will direct the Curley headquarters for women, with Miss Ida Fendel of Dorchester, serving as secretary.

Invitations to attend today's opening were sent out last night to 500 women workers throughout the city who have pledged their support to the former Mayor. Their duties will be to serve at headquarters and aid in the work of registering 19,700 young women who will be eligible to cast their first votes in the coming election. Efforts will also be made to replace on the voting list many of the 40,000 who were dropped from the list since the presidential election.

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The former Mayor, after reading the statement, prepared a statement of his own. Referring to the Good Government Association statement he said that "upon perusal it appears as weak as the organization's support is of any candidate in a Boston election."

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TRAVELER 10/1/29

## CANDIDATES ON RADIO SATURDAY

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### Curley and Mansfield to Speak 10 Minutes Over WNAC in Evening

Former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield and former Mayor James M. Curley are scheduled to make their campaign rallies over the radio Saturday night from station WNAC.

Mansfield will be on the air first and Curley will follow a little later. Each has been given 10 minutes between 7 and 8 P. M. in which to tell listeners why he should be elected mayor of Boston. Aside from a statement by Mansfield in which he tells of the many offers of help he has received in his candidacy, as well as saying that he believes the people of Boston have already booked Curley for a permanent vacation, the contest between the two remained quiet. William P. Hickey of South Boston, chairman of the Democratic committee of ward 6, endorsed Mansfield.

Coakley remained silent. The speaking campaign of the three candidates are scheduled to begin toward the end of the week. It was said that Curley has dispensed with his former publicity man and has taken on a well known Boston newspaper man.

# CURLEY SEES BIG FUTURE IN AIRPORT

## Coakley Assails Former Mayor for Dragging Al Smith's Name Into Fight

Asserting that the future prosperity of Boston depends on its aviation facilities, former Mayor Curley announced his intention, if elected, to put the Boston airport on a par with the best on the Atlantic coast, in an address at a reception in his honor in the East Boston high school auditorium.

"In common with other forward looking citizens," the former mayor declared, "I appreciate the importance and value to Massachusetts, and particularly to Boston of the development of aviation facilities.

"It is my purpose to enlist the best possible talent for a study for the creation of a program in order that the airport at East Boston may be the equal of any to be found on the entire Atlantic coast."

The opening shot of Daniel H. Coakley's mayoralty campaign reverberated through Boston today, and was expected to bring a counter-attack from Curley, its target.

In a radio speech Coakley used up ten minutes in a scathing denunciation of the former mayor, whom he accused of "attempting to use Gov. Smith as a footstool into City Hall."

The East Boston meeting was under the auspices of the Fitton A. C. Curley also revealed a plan for a standway development along the Bayswater section, if he is elected.

The distribution of a campaign button by Curley which carries the message: "Vote for James M. Curley, Al Smith's friend," with Curley's name in large red letters and Gov. Smith's name in small white letters, brought particular condemnation from Coakley in his radio talk.

"He does not say 'friend of the Hon. Alfred E. Smith,' mark you," Coakley said. "He does not say vote for 'Jim' Curley. No, he exalteth himself and humblth Gov. Smith. The best loved Democrat in two generations must be content with the nick-name 'Al.' This is the false issue and the chief false issue of the many false issues with which Curley proposes to beguile the voters."

Boston's famous rallying ground, Pemberton sq., will again be the scene of a James A. (Jerry) Watson rally, at noon today, when the former city councilman will speak on his platform in the race for one of the two vacancies on the school committee.

Tonight both Mansfield and Curley will make their radio debuts of the present campaign over WNAC, the former going on the air at 7:30 and the latter at 7:45. Both will speak for 10 minutes.



AMERICAN 10/2/29

## Women Leaders Join Curley Forces



Ex-Mayor James M. Curley and two ladies of the newly organized Women's Democratic Club conferring on campaign at meeting today. Mrs. Colin McDonald, chairman of the club's campaign committee, is seated at the ex-mayor's left and Ida Feudel at the right. (Staff photo.)

**PREDICTS HE  
WILL WIN BY  
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**Democratic Women's Club  
Plans for Noonday Ra-  
lies in Campaign**

Speaking at the opening of the new Women's Democratic Club headquarters, in the Hotel Bellevue, 19 Beacon st., former Mayor James M. Curley today revealed that he has more than 125,000 votes pledged to him and predicted that he would be elected mayor of Boston by a majority of 70,000.

The new Democratic Women's Club, the first of its kind ever organized in this city, has completed preparations for regular noonday rallies from now until election day.

After organizing at the Bellevue today the women elected Mrs. Colin W. McDonald, chairman, and Miss Ida Fendel of Dorchester, secretary.

### PLAN NOON RALLIES.

These noonday rallies, devoted exclusively to the women folk, is an innovation in Boston politics, and arrangements have been made for a woman and a man speaker each day.

Today's speaker was Henry Lawlor, who urged the women to make every effort to get unregistered women voters on the list before the last day for registration arrives.

Mr. Lawlor also outlined the needs of active preparation for the campaigns that are to be waged during the coming weeks on the part of ex-Mayor Curley.

Curley was also present at the opening meeting of the women and stressed the importance of a registration campaign among women.

### SEEK NEW VOTERS

The former mayor announced that a campaign was already under way to get back on the voting list the names of 40,000 persons dropped from the police listings since the last presidential election.

The Curley headquarters is hoping for a total of over 300,000 registered voters in Boston before election day and toward this end Curley has temporarily cast aside all other work that is necessary to assure his election.

GLOBE 10/1/29

Chairman Joseph P. O'Hearn of Ward 15 Democratic committee has opened headquarters for Hon James M. Curley, candidate for Mayor, at 201 Bowdoin st, Meeting House Hill, opposite Olney st. James McNulty, who was president of the Ward 15 Alfred E. Smith Club, is manager and invites the public to the headquarters to sign pledge cards.

Old Dorchester Post 65, A. L., installed these officers last night: Thomas

POST 10/3/29

# Rough Going on the Rialto



GLADSTONE 10/2/29

## CURLEY NOONDAY WOMEN'S MEETINGS

Will Be Conducted by Them at Bellevue

Noonday meetings conducted by women, for women, are to be held daily in the interests of the candidacy of James M. Curley for Mayor, in what was the grill room at Hotel Bellevue. Such a decision was taken at a meeting there this afternoon of 60 women from all over the city, every ward being represented, who, after organizing themselves as a group conducting Women's Democratic Headquarters in this campaign, chose Mrs Colin MacDonald as their chairman and Miss Ida Fendel of Dorchester as executive secretary.

Mrs MacDonald, a vice chairman of the Democratic State Committee, announced that Curley meetings will be held in the indicated room each week day until Nov 4, between noon and 1:30, and that some leading Democratic woman, and some male Democrat would be speakers each day.

Pres Henry Lawler of the Democratic city committee outlined its program for stimulation of registration of men and women for the coming city election, and urged all present to cooperate in the committee's drive.

Ex-Mayor Curley lauded Pres Lawler's program for the registration drive, so as to make good in the voting lists the 40,000 names dropped from the police at the April listing.

"Boston is overwhelmingly a Democratic city, and should be kept so," he said. "At our Province-st headquarters we have pledge cards signed by 125,000 voters, and this fact assures our triumph Nov 5 by a margin of at least 70,000 votes."

TRAVELER 10/2/29

## WOMEN TO HOLD NOON RALLIES

Plan Series for Curley in Grill Room of Hotel Bellevue

For the first time in the history of city politics women will hold noonday rallies, fashioned after the rallies staged by former Mayor Curley at Young's Hotel during the last presidential campaign. Today about 60 women, representing every ward and organization in the city, met at the invitation of Curley to open what is known as the women's Democratic headquarters, at Hotel Bellevue, 19 Beacon street.

The women will hold noonday rallies between 12 and 1:30 in the grill room of the hotel. Henry Lawler, president of the Democratic city committee, and Curley, addressed the women and urged that their efforts for the next two weeks be directed toward registration of voters. Mrs. Colin W. MacDonald was elected chairman, and Miss Ida Fendel of Dorchester, secretary.

GLADSTONE 10/1/29

## CURLEY MEETING IN EAST BOSTON FRIDAY

Fitton A. C. Indorses Former Mayor's Candidacy

A meeting in the interests of Ex-Mayor James M. Curley will be held in the auditorium of the new East Boston High School next Friday evening, under the auspices of the Fitton A. C. This is the first time in 22 years that the organization has indorsed a candidate for public office.

The principal speakers will be the Mayoralty candidate, Mr Curley; Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, Congressman John J. Douglass, Ex-Congressman Peter F. Tague and Theodore A. Glynn, former Fire Commissioner. Representative William Barker will be in charge of the entertainment.

The committee comprises Andrew J. Dazzi, chairman; Frank Benson, Frank Sheehan, Robert Carter, James McNabb, Joseph Leonard and Gardner Oakes. William Crawford will preside.



POST 10/3/29

# CLAIMS CURLEY SOUGHT G. G. A.

## Mansfield Says Attitude Now One of "Sour Grapes" — Ex-Mayor Smiles, Plans Noon Rallies

BY WILTON VAUGH

In a public statement issued last night, Frederick W. Mansfield accused former Mayor Curley of assuming a "sour grape" attitude towards the Good Government endorsement because he could not get it for himself in the current mayoralty campaign. He charged his chief adversary with making two efforts to obtain the approval of the reform group.

### WANTED IT UNANIMOUS

Curley promised a reform administration in a recent address before a Back Bay group of business men merely for the purpose of "fishing for the endorsement," Mansfield claimed. He continued that Curley inspired President Henry E. Lawler of the Democratic city committee to tell the G. G. A. leaders that they might as well endorse the former Mayor and make his election unanimous.

Expressing satisfaction that the voters of the city understand his disregard for the G. G. A. endorsement, Curley last night smiled and declined to comment further on the Mansfield statement.

Likewise he ignored a statement from Clerk Francis A. Campbell of the Suffolk Superior Civil Court, protesting that the Curley contribution of 50,000 marks to the Good Government "anti-Curley" campaign fund was an insult to the German people. Candidate Daniel H. Coakley also remained silent last night.

### Curley Wires Legion

After his bitter broadside against the Good Government Association and its candidate, former Mayor Curley resumed his quiet and confident air towards the coming election, and in a telegram sent last night to the American Legion convention, he assured the veterans that "as Mayor of Boston in 1930, I promise you every service which lies within my power to make this great convention a banner event."

The telegram, addressed to State Commander John J. O'Connell, who is in charge of the Massachusetts delegation at Louisville, Ky., read:

"Kindly accept my hearty congratulations in securing the national convention of the American Legion for Boston in 1930. The convention will be the leading feature of the tercentenary, marking the 300th anniversary of Massachusetts and will prove one of the

most interesting patriotic events in our history.

"As Mayor of Boston in 1930, I promise you every service which lies within my power to make this great convention a banner event for one of the most militant and fearless bodies of men who ever placed their lives upon the altar of our liberty."

### Noon Rallies For Women

Curley introduced a new feature in municipal campaigning yesterday when he organized a schedule of noon-day rallies for women at the Hotel Bellevue. This series of rallies in the interests of the Curley candidacy will open this noon, with Mrs. Colin W. MacDonald, first vice-chairman of the Democratic State committee, as the first speaker. Because of her success in organizing the women here in the Smith campaign during the last presidential election, she has been chosen by former Mayor Curley to take charge of the women's activities in the mayoralty campaign.

The statement issued by Mansfield before leaving his headquarters last night, follows:

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"When the Mayor went out of office after his first term he left nothing in the city treasury and, in fact, as he admitted in his farewell speech, a deficit of over \$800,000. Does he believe that this is the way to run public finance, and if he is elected Governor may we expect this kind of financing from him?

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Later, Clerk Campbell issued the following statement:

"Recently, the G. G. A. sent out an appeal for funds to help finance its present municipal campaign. A response to said appeal, came from Mr. Curley, who sent a contribution of 50,000, as he says, but the G. G. A. says in returning the contribution, 1000, German marks.

"Everyone knows that the German marks were valueless. That they were sent as a joke and was a reflection upon the German race. Through the misfortunes of war, the German people were unable to meet these obligations represented by the mark. The South, during the Civil war, issued Confederate money, which became valueless in a similar manner, because of the fortunes of war. Mr. Curley

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not send Confederate money as a contribution to the G. G. A.

### Calls It Insult

"His attempt to be facetious at the expense of a noble race that has done its share in the building of this Republic, is a gratuitous insult to every German in this city, and should be resented by the German citizenship of this community. The jest carries with it an outrageous attempt to belittle the German people and inject into a local political contest the sad and sorrowful memories of a humiliated Germany.

"The man who would advance himself upon the ruined reputation of another, or be so callous as to make a joke for political purposes of the misfortune and humiliation of the German people by resurrecting the sad memories of a sorrowful past, should be repudiated by every German citizen in this city who has a vestige of race pride. I am sure the German citizenship of this city will appreciate the gratuitous insult offered them by Mr. Curley's facetious attempt to advance his political fortunes by holding up to ridicule and the taunts of galling tongues the German people. Race pride calls upon every German-American to repudiate this calumniator of the German race."

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## Curley Women Open Campaign Quarters

Headquarters for women workers supporting former Mayor Curley in his campaign to be returned to City Hall were opened this morning in Hotel Bellevue. Mrs. Colin W. MacDonald of the Democratic State Committee, who had charge of women's activities in the Smith presidential campaign here last fall, will direct this branch of the Curley campaign, with Miss Ida Fendel of Dorchester as secretary.

Immediately after organization the women voted to hold daily noonday rallies for women from 12 to 1.30 until election day in the grill room of the hotel. There will be two speakers at each of the rallies held—a woman and a man. The first rally will be held tomorrow, with Mrs. MacDonald as the chief speaker.

The former mayor spoke, emphasizing the importance of registration of new voters and of the nearly forty thousand who were dropped in the police listing April 1. Mr. Curley declared that he has 125,000 pledge cards of support in his campaign and he said that he "conservatively estimated" his majority in the coming election at 70,000.

President Henry Lawler of the Democratic City Committee also addressed the women, urging that they leave nothing undone in aiding the work of registration.

Nearly 500 invitations to attend the opening were sent to women workers throughout the city, who have pledged their support to the former mayor. Their duties will include serving at headquarters in aid of the work of registering about 19,700 young women who will be eligible to vote for the first time on election day, Nov. 5.

# MANSFIELD LIED, SAYS H. E. LAWLER

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## Denies Being "Paid Henchman" of Curley

President Henry E. Lawler of the Democratic city committee "passed the lie" to former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield who accused him of being the "paid henchman of former Mayor Curley."

In a letter to Candidate Mansfield late yesterday, President Lawler charged him with "carrying the Goo-Goo tag" for the purpose of obtaining an appointment to the bench.

### HIS WORK NEGLIGIBLE

He contended that Mansfield's activity in the last presidential campaign was "of a most negligible character," while Curley "was responsible for the success of Smith in Massachusetts, in the face of the national Republican landslide."

The Lawler to Mansfield letter follows:

"Dear Sir:

"As president of the Boston Democratic city committee, I want to stamp the statement of Good Government Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield wherein he charges me with being a paid henchman of former Mayor Curley as a deliberate lie.

"I have never received a penny for any service I have ever rendered the Democratic party, nor from the candidate which the Democratic City Committee has endorsed for Mayor, James M. Curley.

"The endorsement of Mr. Curley by the Democratic city committee was not solicited by Mr. Curley and represents a purely voluntary act upon the part of the membership, based upon the desire to promote party harmony and reward a capable and efficient public official.

### Helped Smith Carry State

"The work of Mr. Curley in the last national campaign, intelligent, untrifling and unselfish, is acknowledged by every honest citizen as responsible for Democratic success by Alfred E. Smith in Massachusetts, in the face of a national Republican landslide.

"It was the registration work and enthusiasm generated by the meetings

conducted by Mr. Curley that saved the situation, for until the vote of Boston was counted, Mr. Smith was beaten upward of 80,000 votes in Massachusetts.

"Perhaps Mr. Mansfield, always a beneficiary of the Democratic party, will enlighten the electorate as to the work which he did in this campaign which, if memory serves me right, was of a most negligible character.

"The impending shadow of a possible judicial appointment as a reward for carrying the Goo Goo tag should prompt him to comfort himself with more dignity and a decent regard for truth."

"(S) HENRY E. LAWLER."

AMERICAN 10/4/29

## Fittons to Rete 10/4 Curley Tonight

The Fitton Athletic Club of East Boston will hold a reception to James M. Curley, candidate for mayor, in East Boston high school tonight. This is the first time the organization has endorsed a candidate for mayor. Among the invited speakers are former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, Congressman John J. Douglas and former Congressman Peter F. Tague.

RECORD 10/4/29

## LAUD CURLEY AS FOE CALLS 10/4 HIM 'LEGREE'

While Frederick W. Mansfield, mayoralty candidate, was last night issuing a statement in which he referred to James M. Curley as a "Simon Legree cracking the whip on city employees," the former mayor was being lauded at a meeting in Charlestown of present and former office holders.

Mansfield charged Curley "in his customary czaristic fashion" was attempting to "coerce and browbeat city employees" to support him, and said that the bosses and Curley himself are "trying to ram the candidate down the throats of citizens."

At the Charlestown meeting in Curley headquarters on Main st. there was a general get-together of the former mayor's supporters in his present campaign. Daniel Donovan was chairman. Addresses lauding Curley were made by City Councilman Thomas H. Green, Senator John P. Buckley, Rep. Charles S. Sullivan, Jr., and James H. Brennan.

Others who praised Curley were: James J. Mellen, John J. Doolin, former School Committeeman William G. O'Hare,



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# CURLEY URGES INTEREST IN AFFAIRS OF GOVERNMENT



James M. Curley, candidate for Mayor (shown in back row), visiting headquarters opened for women in Hotel Bellevue. The women voted to have a Curley rally in the grill room of the hotel every day from 12 to 1:30.

"Domination of Federal, State and city Government in America by selfish business groups is the price that must be paid for neglect of duty by those among us who fail to register and vote in each election," Ex-Mayor James M. Curley, principal speaker at the Democratic women's headquarters at the Hotel Bellevue this noon, told a large gathering.

"The future of America is dependent upon the measure of interest taken by all of the citizens in the affairs of Government," Mr Curley said. "The growing custom of delegating to a bare majority of the electorate the selection and election of public officials is to be deplored,

"The fact that the city of Boston during the four years of my former administration as Mayor was required to expend the sum of \$200,000 in combatting unwarranted raids by public service corporations through State-created bodies is worthy of serious consideration.

"In 1925 the New England Telephone Company requested authority to increase charges sufficient to provide \$1,000,000 additional revenue for the company but before the hearings in connection with the request for this additional increase had ended the sum was increased to \$9,000,000 and this was approved by the Massachusetts Public Utilities Commission. Largely in consequence of the fight waged by a Boston newspaper and the city extending over a period of six years a reduction in rates representing a saving to the tax payers of more than \$3,500,000 was secured from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company.

## Other Reductions

"During this same period from 1922 to 1926 inclusive, four reductions in rates, totaling \$2,000,000, were secured for the people from the Boston Consolidated Gas Company and in no single case did a reduction result from a recommendation of the Massachusetts Public Utilities Commission.

"The recent demand of the telephone company for removal of coin boxes in certain places coupled with the demand for the right to exact a service charge for meters by the gas company, in view of the recent consolidations made, we have been told, for the purpose of promoting economy, are most interesting.

"This represents direct increase in the cost of living and can only be checked through an intelligent and alert electorate, and if through the instrumentality of this organization every person eligible to citizenship can be induced not only to register but to actually participate in the business of government, honest administration of public affairs may be reasonably assured.

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# Mansfield Charges Curley Sought G. G. A. Indorsement

## Organization Candidate Says ex-Mayor Made Two Attempts to Win Approval and Terms Attacks Case of Sour Grapes

By CHARLES A. COYLE.

Terming former Mayor Curley's attack on the Good Government Association's indorsement a case of "sour grapes," former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield last night accused Curley of having made two ineffectual attempts to obtain the indorsement for himself.

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### DEFENDS GERMANS

Francis A. Campbell, clerk of the Suffolk superior civil court, directed another attack at former Mayor Curley last night when he branded the latter's contribution of 50,000 worthless German marks to the Good Government Association following its appeal for campaign funds as "a gratuitous insult to every German in this city and an outrageous attempt to belittle the German people and inject into a local political contest the sad and sorrowful memories of a humiliated Germany." He added:

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### DISCUSSING CAMPAIGN PLANS



James M. Curley and Mrs. Colin MacDonald, chairman of the women's division of Curley-for-mayor headquarters.

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# MANSFIELD AND CURLEY IN ATTACKS

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## Hurl BroadSides at Each Other as Cam- paign Warms

BY WILTON VAUGH

With Curley and Mansfield now exchanging political shots and Coakley planning to uncork a radio broadside tonight, the triangular mayoralty campaign at last promises to provide some verbal fireworks for the voters during the next four weeks before they go to the polls on Nov. 5.

### SWAP BROADSIDES

For the first time former Mayor Curley unleashed a bitter attack on the former State treasurer when he charged that Candidate Mansfield's statement on the tax rate "stamped him as an uninformed child in the intricate field of municipal finance and as one who is not even conversant with the elemental principles of municipal finance and taxation."

In return Mansfield last night branded the former mayor as a "Simon Legree," accusing him of "snapping the whip" to "coerce and browbeat" city employees to work for him under penalty of losing their jobs next January, following the inauguration.

### Curley's First Noonday Rally

Candidate Daniel H. Coakley was silent last night but he promised to have plenty to say over the air when he broadcasts tonight from station WNAC for 10 minutes, starting at 7:45 o'clock. He suddenly decided yesterday to make the first radio speech of the campaign, for Mansfield and Curley will broadcast in that order tomorrow night, using the same station.

Curley opened the series of noonday rallies at 19 Beacon street, yesterday, with an audience of several hundred women, who will conduct this special activity for the remainder of the campaign under the direction of Mrs. Colin W. Macdonald, first vice-chairman of the Democratic State committee. The speakers today will be Congressman John W. McCormack of South Boston and Dr. Helen I. Doherty of Marlboro street, for many years an active leader in the M. C. O. F.

### Four Reductions in Gas Rates

Speaking to the women, former Mayor Curley said that during his last four years at City Hall, four reductions in gas rates were obtained, saving the tax-

payers \$2,000,000. He related that he had increased the salaries of all city employees receiving less than \$1800, raised the maximum pay of 3000 policemen and firemen from \$1800 to \$2000, and installed the two-platoon system. He explained his adoption of the pension system to protect city employees from the "nightmare" of changing administrations.

Following this, former Mayor Curley said:

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### "Adopting Desperate Measures"

In his statement, issued late last night, charging the former Mayor with "coercing" city employees into working for him in the current campaign, Candidate Mansfield said:

"For a man who has pretended that there is no contest for Mayor of Boston and who has so arrogantly asserted on every possible occasion that he must be the next Mayor, Mr. Curley is adopting desperate measures to stem the rising Mansfield tide.

"I have reliable information that he is even now attempting in his customary czaristic fashion to coerce and browbeat city employees, and upon their refusal to jump when he cracks the whip and their insistence upon their right of freedom of thought and action, he immediately threatened them with the loss of their jobs after Jan. 1.

"How long, citizens of Boston, are you going to submit to this terrorism? As a former supporter of Mr. Curley recently said, Mr. Curley's arrogance is intolerable, and his state of mind renders him wholly unsafe to be the Chief Executive of this city again.

"I had something to say in my platform about my treatment of city employees if elected. These public servants should not be compelled to live in constant fear of loss of employment if they fail to do the bidding of the Mayor. They and their families should be relieved of this constant anxiety and it is the duty of the citizens of Boston to protect them by throwing off the Curley yoke forever.

"Already, men who have been close to him in the past and from whom he refuses any longer to take advice, realizing that his political stature is constantly shrinking and that he is not nearly as large as he appeared to be when he was photographed surrounded by groups of political ex's and axes, are leaving him.

"They were never really with him but merely trailed along because he made such a noise that he induced them to believe that the citizens of Boston would be forced to take him as Mayor whether they wanted him or not.

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# CURLEY DENOUNCED 10/4 BY DAN COAKLEY

## Calls Ex-Mayor Thorn in Side of Alfred E. Smith

In a radio speech delivered last night over Station WNAC, Daniel H. Coakley, candidate for Mayor of Boston, scored ex-Mayor James M. Curley. "Gov Alfred E. Smith's name ought not to be dragged, for selfish purposes, into a local fight," he said "and I propose that such use of his name be stopped and to see that such selfishness is unmasked."

Mr Coakley declared flatly that his speech was "to block placing a false issue before the voters by reckless propaganda, and to protest against the audacious dragging of the first Democratic citizen of America into a local fight."

"Everybody knows," said Mr Coakley, "that Senator David I. Walsh, was the personal representative in Massachusetts of Gov Smith."

Mr Coakley explained, with some vehemence, that Ex-Mayor Curley demanded to be put in the forefront of the campaign; that Curley demanded to be the chief speaker in all the rallies and that he went over the head of Chairman Frank J. Donahoe to New York and sent Mayor Quinn Cambridge, national committeeman, to New York to plead his cause.

"Then, said Mr Coakley, 'against the desire of Governor Smith and of his authorized representatives, Mr. Curley opened the Young's Hotel headquarters. He was a thorn in the side of Gov Smith throughout the campaign.'



# CALLS CURLEY 'SIMON LEGREE'

**Mansfield Charges City  
Employees Browbeaten  
And Coerced**

## EX-MAYOR RIDICULES DEFICIT STATEMENT

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Accusing former Mayor Curley of "coercing and browbeating" city employees and threatening them with the loss of their jobs "upon their refusal to jump when he cracked the whip," former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield last night continued his attacks on his opponent and referred to him as a 'Simon Legree.'

His accusations were contained in a public statement issued by him from his campaign headquarters in the Law-son's building at 11 Beacon street just before he left for his Roxbury home with Mrs. Mansfield to prepare for a number of speaking engagements last night.

### SAYS FORCES DWINDLE

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Daniel E. Coakley, Boston's latest entry into the mayoral ring, will open his campaign tonight in a 10-minute speech over station WNAC. This announcement was made at his offices last night with the added declaration that he is prepared to carry on one of the hottest campaigns of his political career. He will speak from 7:10 to 7:20 P. M.

### STINGING REJOINDER

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James A. (Jerry) Watson, former member of the city council in the last Curley administration and one of the 12 candidates for the school committee, last night attacked the Public School Association and offered to meet any individual selected by it to debate the school question with him at any time or in any hall, expenses to be shared alike. He suggested Mayor Nichols for a presiding officer.

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### ABSENTEE BALLOTS REFUSED

Many applications for absentee ballots made with the board of election commissioners during the past few weeks caused them to announce last night that under the law in Massachusetts there can be no such practice. The only city in the commonwealth where such a practice is in being is Gloucester, they pointed out, and there it is done in the interests of the fishing men that reside there and put out from that port.

The law distinctly provides that a person to vote in a municipal election must have been a resident of the city for six months' period preceding the election, or in the case of the present election, since May 6 of this year.

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## G. G. A. a Clique, Says McCormack at Curley Rally

South Boston Congressman  
Says Former Mayor Will  
Represent All Classes

The Good Government Association was attacked as a "clique" by Congressman John W. McCormack of South Boston in an address at a noonday rally today at the women's headquarters of the Curley mayoral campaign in Hotel Bellevue. The congressman also said that any man "elected by a clique is controlled by that clique," while James M. Curley, "the next mayor of Boston, will represent all classes and all elements of the 'Party government,'" said the congressman, "is not clique government, but it is an integral part of government, in contrast with the group or clique government which would obtain under a mayor endorsed by the Good Government Association. Since 1909 you have seen endorsement by a group or clique of candidates representing that clique. Any man selected by a clique is controlled by it. If you voters wait for the Good Government Association to endorse a candidate, you have a subservient political mind. The next mayor of Boston, James M. Curley, will represent all classes and all elements of the city of Boston. Do not listen to these party whisperings, but rather take into account the big accomplishments of former Mayor Curley."

Other speakers at the rally were Mrs. Mary E. Gallagher of Brighton, secretary of the Democratic women's committee, who predicted Curley's election "by the biggest majority ever given any candidate." Mrs. Helen C. Galvin, who spoke in place of Dr. Helen I. Doherty, detained by other engagements, and Mrs. Colin W. McDonald, director of the headquarters.

The following statement was issued today from Mansfield's headquarters:

"The repudiations that have appeared in the newspapers during the past few days from organizations that were reported to have indorsed the candidacy of James M. Curley, proves that the Curley 'advance men' have been up to their old tricks and that the citizens of the city will not tolerate such tactics. The East Boston Betterment Association, through its president, Henry Selvitella, and the Police Post of the American Legion, through its commander, Arthur L. J. Pellitier, have both denied voting to indorse Curley."

"The 'advance men' of the Curley show were also repudiated when the banner they had placed on the house at 311 Chelsea street, East Boston, where I was born was ordered down as quickly as it was put up. The Curley philosophy that the end justifies the means is intolerable and will continue to be repudiated by the citizens of this city."

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Women's Democratic Headquarters

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FORMER CONGRESSMAN WILLIAM S. McNARY  
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MISS IDA FENDEL, Secretary, 165 Columbia Road

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# MANSFIELD

## WHO DEFIES THE BOSSES

## THE PEOPLE'S CANDIDATE

# FOR MAYOR

Opens his campaign tonight at Central Square, East Boston, at 8 P. M.

## HASN'T CURLEY HAD ENOUGH?

JOHN F. MCCARTHY, 9 Lenoxdale St., Dorchester.

AMERICAN 10/7/29

### Curley Donates Cup

A silver cup donated by ex-Mayor James M. Curley will be presented to the young woman selected as "Miss Hyde Park," Friday evening, at the whist and dance in the Hyde Park Municipal Building, conducted by the Hyde Park A. A. Mr. Curley has promised to be present and make the presentation personally.



# Coakley and Women Voters Chief Factors

**Many Observers Predict Outcome of Mayoral Campaign Will Hinge on Former**

**Women Big Influence**

**Three-Cornered Contest Involves Many Aspects Lacking Four Years Ago**

By Forrest P. Hull

Four years ago in the mayoral contest which resulted in a victory for Malcolm E. Nichols it was Daniel H. Coakley who was the surprising factor. He received 20,030 votes in a field of ten candidates. He is a candidate for mayor again this year. Will he be even more surprising as the votes are counted a month from next Tuesday? Many wise observers believe he will, and do not hesitate to assert that the election will hinge on his campaign. But others say the women will decide the contest.

The campaign is so spiritless, so devoid of customary thrills, that one searches in vain for a parallel. Certainly there has been nothing in James M. Curley's former political activities to suggest the situation of today. Four years ago the fight was on everybody's lips more than two months from the time of voting. Though Mr. Nichols did not enter the fight until August of that year, his candidacy was well understood as a fact weeks before. In that very month the candidates could not have been more active if they had remained constantly on an electric carpet.

Instead of ten candidates for mayor, there are only three today. Mr. Curley actually became a candidate when he retired from the chair which Mr. Nichols assumed. Frederick W. Mansfield has recently entered the fight as the Good Government Association candidate. Daniel H. Coakley followed but with no prominent organization support. Only one of the candidates, Mr. Mansfield, has announced a campaign platform, and none of them has started a speaking campaign.

## Curley's Strategy

Campaign dullness on the part of Mr. Curley is said to be a studied strategy. During the administration of Mr. Nichols he has embraced many opportunities to keep himself before the public. In the presidential campaign he engaged the old dining room of the Young's Hotel Building and held daily rallies for Governor Smith speaking to thousands of citizens. There could have been no more effective mayoral effort in his own behalf. At that time he had mapped out his re-

mayoral fight. No matter how many candidates there were to be, he would reserve his energies until the last two weeks. For that period many halls throughout the city have been reserved and hundreds of his henchmen are ready to bear the torches of political conflict.

Nobody knows Mr. Mansfield's strategy, except that he is likely to keep Mr. Curley on the defensive as constantly as possible. This is the old political theory of Boston campaigns. Collins, Fitzgerald and Curley were past masters of the art. Whether Mr. Mansfield has the resourcefulness, the boldness and the eagerness to carry the fight roughly into the enemy quarters remains to be seen. What he has done so far is not suggestive of former hectic battles. Perhaps he will rely more largely upon the active work of hundreds of supporters who have flocked to his banners in the last few days.

As for Mr. Coakley's campaign, it is safe to say that it will be strenuous. He will use the radio as well as the soapbox. Those who heard him four years ago know the power of his appeal among a certain class of voters. He knows City Hall conditions as well as Mr. Curley and is not ultra-conservative in what he says. Once, Mr. Coakley and Mr. Curley were firm friends. There came a parting and since that day, several years ago, Mr. Coakley has been a bitter opponent. That he has hosts of firm friends on the municipal payrolls almost goes without saying.

## Hard to Analyze Support

It was not easy to analyze the mayoral votes in the larger field of four years ago, except in the matter of Nichols's assured victory. It is just as hard to analyze the conditions which now confront the city. The very politicians who are asking their friends to watch Coakley, do not deny the worth of a suggestion frequently made, that the women will decide the issue. Within the last few days it has become more and more apparent that Mr. Curley's energies have been largely directed toward attracting to his support the thousands of Democratic women who are entitled to vote and the thousands who could have that opportunity if they would register.

For the campaign of four years ago there were 93,865 women registered, but they played an insignificant part in the campaign, compared to their numbers. The first list of the present year contained 119,404 women, two-thirds of whom are of the Democratic persuasion. These figures may mean much as one views the efforts which the organization women are making in Mr. Curley's behalf. It is probable that Mr. Mansfield will insist on similar efforts throughout the wards, but he may find that the Curley adherents have taken much of the ground from beneath his feet.

So far as the male registration is concerned there is little argument for the analyst, except in the reports which may filter through the registration centers that the bulk of energy is being directed by Curley men. The candidate has studied registration work for so many years and values it as among the first principles of politics that it is not surprising that his friends have bestirred themselves, especially as it is known that the ward committee chairmen are working for him.

## Where Will the Votes Go?

When one attempts to glean satisfaction from a study of the vote of four years ago he confesses failure. For example, what will become of the 64,483 votes which Mr. Nichols received? There is no Republican in the present contest

and while the Nichols vote was not altogether a Republican vote, how will it lodge? Nobody knows. Charles H. Innes is the Republican chieftain of Boston. Mr. Innes has not spoken and he will not speak, in all probability. There is no party issue involved in the present contest. The only sensible conclusion is that the Nichols vote will be split, at least two ways. As the second example of confusing figuring, one might ask how Glynn's 42,696 votes will lodge on Nov. 5. Mr. Glynn and Mr. Curley had a falling out four years ago. Relations remained strained until a few weeks ago, when Glynn announced that he would support Curley. Can he command any such vote for Curley today? Probably not. It is likely the vote will be split at least two ways, with Mr. Coakley benefiting instead of Mr. Mansfield.

It is useless to go through the entire list of the 1925 candidates. O'Neal with his 31,915 votes, O'Brien with his 9449, Keliher with his 7737, Fitzgerald with his 3190, Cook, McGauley and Burrell with their minor support are anybody's guess. Suffice it to say that conditions are entirely different in a mayoral triangular field, added to which is the confusion which resides in more than 40,000 new voters.

# Coakley Attacks Curley Over Radio

Daniel H. Coakley, formally opened his mayoral campaign last night in a ten-minute broadcast over station WNAC, in which he attacked former Mayor Curley for "attempting to use Governor Smith as a footstool into City Hall." The speaker declared bluntly that his address was "to block placing a false issue before the voters by reckless propaganda, and to protest against the audacious dragging of the first Democratic citizen of America into a local fight."

Later on in the evening, Curley addressed a rally in his interest in the East Boston High School, under the auspices of the Fitton Athletic Club, and refrained from comment upon the Coakley attack. Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald sang "Sweet Adeline" as a feature of the Curley rally and Theodore A. Glynn, who recently adjusted his differences with Curley, also was on hand in the program of harmony.

Curley reviewed his past activities in the interests of East Boston and promised "In my next administration" to build a strandway along the Bayswater section, to improve the airport and to induce aircraft manufacturers to build plants near the flying field.

Curley workers, following the Coakley radio attack, placed in the front window of headquarters at 22 Province street a likeness of the former governor of New York, bearing the inscription: "To my good friend, James M. Curley," and signed "Al" Smith.

Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield will open his radio campaign tonight with a broadcast over WNAC at 7.10. He will speak for ten minutes. Curley also will talk for a ten-minute period from the same station, starting at 7.30 o'clock.

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## COAKLEY WILL HELP CURLEY

The entrance of Daniel H. Coakley, bitter enemy of former mayor James M. Curley, into the mayoralty contest, will be a distinct asset rather than a liability to Mr. Curley and is not liable to injure what now appears to be a certainty of his election.

Those who will stand by Mr. Curley will be loyal to him regardless of the personality of his opponents. Whether they think that he is right or wrong in his ideas and his decisions, they will vote for him.

Others who do not like him will never vote for him. They will elect to support Mr. Mansfield, who is making considerable noise, but who seems to have very little important support for the approval given his candidacy by the Goo-Goos can not this year be construed as an important factor in the determination of the election.

Mr. Coakley will naturally direct his attacks upon Mr. Curley. But attacks, however vitriolic, which are based almost entirely upon personal antagonism will divert very few votes from Mr. Curley. The probability is that Coakley, who will not poll, according to shrewd observers, more than 15,000 votes will handicap Mansfield rather than Curley.

Unless there are unexpected changes upon the political horizon, and they are entirely improbable, it is difficult to figure how Mr. Curley can lose the election. He is tremendously popular among the masses and he is looked upon with outspoken favor by a very substantial number of Republican voters. Not all of them follow the dictates of the Goo-Goos.

Mr. Curley was elected eight years ago over John R. Murphy with political leaders, almost with no exception, and with every newspaper but two, The Boston Telegram and THE GAZZETTA, bitterly opposed to his candidacy.

Today all of his former political enemies are loyally supporting him and notwithstanding the fact that the voters do not always follow their leaders, it is far better to have the support than the opposition of leaders. Mr. Curley is fortunate in that both the people and their leaders are favorable to his candidacy.

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CITY MEN INDORSE  
CURLEY CANDIDACY

Local 149 Gets Ex-Mayor's  
Position on City Labor

Candidate Points to His Record  
Favoring Municipal Workers

Following the receipt of a letter from Ex-Mayor James M. Curley explaining his attitude toward city employees, City Men's Union, Local 149, voted unanimously yesterday afternoon to indorse Mr Curley's candidacy for Mayor.

It was also voted to commend Mayor Nichols for his action in extending the time for the employment of temporary laborers. The meeting was at 995 Washington st.

Timothy J. Regan, secretary-treasurer of the local, had written to Mr Curley referring to a statement which appeared in a Boston newspaper to the effect that, if elected, the ex-Mayor would reduce city payroll. Mr Curley's reply, read at the meeting, was as follows:

"Replying to your communication, I beg to state that the position taken by me with reference to city employees has never undergone any change during my terms in public office.

"The statements to which you refer appeared in but one Boston paper, in the morning edition, and was later denied in full by the editor of that paper, in the first column, page 1, on the same day.

"I feel it needless for me to point out to you that if the statements purporting to have been made by me had been made it not only would never have been denied by the paper in question, but that in addition it would have been printed in full in every morning paper, rather than one. In a spirit of charity, I can only say that it was an error on the part of the reporter.

"The wages of laborers and mechanics during each of my two terms as Mayor were greater at the end of the terms than when I assumed office. Upon my initiative, legislation to end part-time day labor and to provide for permanency in employment for all employees of the city was enacted. The custom of discharging men when an administration changed because of either political activity or preference was ended through the establishment, upon my initiative, of a pension system applying to every city employee. In a message to the City Council, delivered Feb 4, 1924, my position with reference to city employees is fully set forth and should be read for the benefit of those who handle truth carelessly.

"My position is known to every impartial, unprejudiced, honest citizen, and despite false statements in the press, later denied, or the whispers of paid propagandists, has suffered or will suffer no change.

"With a view to meeting all equitable requests submitted in the matter of salaries and hours of labor for persons in the employ of the city, my effort was directed in 1923 to a consideration of those cases which appeared most meritorious, namely, employees receiving less than the maximum of \$1800 per annum.

"That the saving wage be stabilized, I included in the 1924 budget a sum sufficient to provide an increase of \$150 in the wages of all laborers and mechanics and an increase in the salaries of all persons receiving less than \$1800 per annum.

"These wage increases applied to 9000 employees, in addition to the adoption of the humane two-platoon system for men in the Fire Department. This represents the largest wage increase ever granted by a city.

"It has been my observation that the service rendered by the individual invariably is in proportion to the benefits enjoyed, and to the program of economic justice in the matter of wage scale increases provided in 1924 may be traced the high order of efficiency upon the part of every person in the employ of the city of Boston.

"I trust that the friendly relations that have always existed between persons in the employ of the city and myself, the basis of which has been mutual to the municipality, will continue."



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# COAKLEY ASSAILS SLOGAN

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## Over Radio, Hits at Curley for Al Smith Buttons

BY WILTON VAUGH

Broadcasting the first radio speech of the mayoralty campaign, Candidate Daniel H. Coakley last night bitterly assailed former Mayor Curley for circulating buttons bearing the legend "Vote for Al Smith's friend." He stated that "not 50 men in New York, other than boyhood friends, call Democracy's idol, Al," and charged that in so doing Curley is attempting to begot the issues of the city election.

### LAWLER IN REPLY

A hitch in the Coakley schedule robbed the candidate of a large part of his unseen audience. For he had publicly announced that his 10-minute speech would start at 7:45 o'clock, but found out afterwards that he had to go on the air at 7:10.

His appearance at the WNAC studio revealed that he had taken over to his political camp William H. McMasters, who formerly served on the Curley publicity staff. They worked together last night, with Coakley at the microphone and McMasters holding the watch. This dispelled the rumors that the former Curley press agent had been signed up by Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield.

Neither Curley nor Mansfield would comment on the Coakley speech last night, but President Henry E. Lawler of the Democratic city committee offered to the press a letter to Candidate Coakley, stating that the campaign button referred to was "originated, distributed and paid for by the Democratic city committee," and that "Mr. Curley had no more to do with it than did Mr. Mansfield of the Good Government Association."

### Curley in East Boston

To combat further the Coakley accusation, workers at the Curley headquarters at 22 Province street, following the radio address, placed in the front window a life-sized likeness of the former New York Governor, bearing the inscription, "To my good friend, James M. Curley," and signed "Al" Smith.

After turning off the loud speaker, the former Mayor went into the natal district of Candidate Mansfield to attend a Curley reception at the new East Boston High School, which was given last night under the auspices of the Pitton Athletic Club.

There, before an enthusiastic crowd, he made no reply to the Coakley speech. He spoke of his past activities in the interests of the district, how he abol-

ished the East Boston tunnel tolls, improved the ferry service by adding two new steel boats, and during the unemployment depression of 1923 put thousands of World war veterans to work by letting the extension of the East Boston tunnel out on a day labor basis, rather than to a contractor, thereby saving the city \$700,000.

He promised the voters of East Boston that in his next administration he will build a strandway along the Bayswater section, kill the permit to establish a 90,000,000 gallon oil tank farm next to the Orient Heights Playground, improve the airport so that it will equal any on the Atlantic seaboard, and induce aircraft manufacturers to build plants near the flying field.

Candidate Mansfield will open his radio campaign with a 10-minute speech, starting at 7:10 o'clock tonight, out of station WNAC. He will be followed by Curley, who will also talk for 10 minutes, starting at 7:30.

TRAVELER 10/4/29

## BRANDS CURLEY SIMON LEGREE

### Mansfield Accuses Ex- Mayor of Browbeating City Employees

Former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield, continuing his vigorous campaign for mayor of Boston, has issued a statement in which he scores former Mayor James M. Curley, referring to him in one instance as a "Simon Legree."

He accused Curley of "coercing and browbeating" city employees, and threatening them with the loss of their jobs "upon their refusal to jump when he cracked the whip."

Mansfield also says that men who have been close to Curley in the past, "realizing that his political stature is constantly shrinking and that he is not nearly as large as he appeared to be when he was photographed surrounded by groups of political ex's and axes, are leaving him."

Curley refused to answer the attack. Daniel H. Coakley will open his campaign tonight in a 10-minute speech over station WNAC, beginning at 7:10 P. M. Many applications for absentee ballots were turned down by the election department. The law provides that a person to vote in a municipal election must have been a resident of the city six months before election day.

AMERICAN 10/4/29

## GOOD GOOS HIT BY SENATOR M'CORMACK

Congressman John W. McCormack's attack on the Good Government Association in behalf of James M. Curley, Frederick W. Mansfield's statement that Curley's "advance men" were up to their old tricks and Daniel H. Coakley's promised volley over the radio tonight were the leading developments in the mayoralty campaign today.

"If you voters wait for the Good Government Association to endorse a candidate you possess a subservient mind," Congressman McCormack told an overflow throng at the Democratic Women's Curley headquarters noon rally in the old grill room of the Hotel Bellevue.

"Since the city charter was changed in 1909," McCormack said, "you have seen the endorsement of candidates by a group or clique. That candidate, if elected, has been a representative of that clique."

### WILL REPRESENT ALL

"The next mayor of Boston, James Michael Curley, will represent all classes and all elements of the city of Boston. He will not be ruled by cliques."

Mrs. Mary E. Gallagher of Brighton, secretary of the Democratic Women's Committee, presided at the rally. The other speakers included Mrs. Helen C. Galvin of Roxbury, substituting for Mrs. Dr. Helen I. Doherty, and Mrs. Colin W. McDonald, director of the Women's Curley headquarters. Mrs. Margaret M. O'Riordan of Jamaica Plain, vice-chairman of the general committee, was also present.

In his statement to the press today Mansfield said:

"The repudiations that have appeared in the newspapers during the past few days from organizations that were reported to have endorsed the candidacy of James M. Curley, proves that the Curley 'advance men' have been up to their old tricks and that the citizens of the city will not tolerate such tactics."

### COAKLEY ON RADIO.

"The East Boston Betterment Association, through its president, Henry Selvitella, and the police post of the American Legion, through its commander, Arthur J. Pellitier, have both denied voting to endorse Curley."

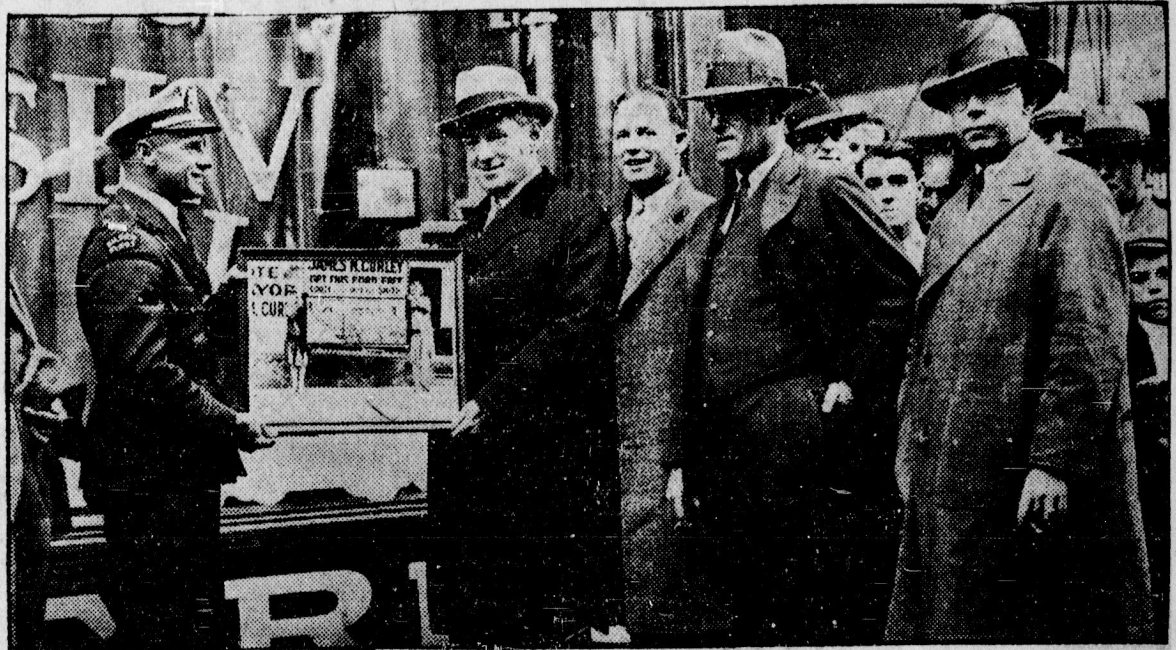
Mansfield will officially open his own campaign tomorrow night when he will speak over station WNAC from 7:10 to 7:20. He will be followed at 7:30 by Curley, who will also talk for 10 minutes.

Coakley will speak tonight from station WNAC at 7:10.



HERALD 10/5/29

## FORMER MAYOR GREET'S SILVER FLEET



Lt. Herbert Schaeffer of the Goodrich caravan and J. M. Curley holding a photograph which Schaeffer is to take to Al Smith in New York. Looking are local officials of the Goodrich company

## Goodrich Silver Fleet Reaches Boston After 25,000 Miles on Silvertown Tires

The fleet's in!  
The Silver Fleet of the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Company, which has travelled more than 25,000 miles on Silvertown tires, arrived in Boston yesterday. There are 15 cars and a truck in the caravan, with 19 drivers, all commanded by Lt. Herbert R. Schaeffer. Guided by state police and Boston motorcycle officers the caravan, the vehicles painted a distinctive silver finish, entered Boston from the south. After a tour which included visits to the city halls of Boston and Cambridge, the cars were parked on Federal street last evening for public inspection.

Through storms and fair weather, over fine concrete roads and bumpy dirt roads, the Silvertown tires have borne the brunt of a gruelling test, but have survived in fine fashion. No attempt was made to conserve the tires—the test was really a test—yet the tires came through without a single major failure, a record-breaking performance.

### PILOTS GREETED

The feature of the day was the greeting extended the 19 college graduates who are piloting the cars, by the employees of the Hood Rubber Company, recently made a unit of the Goodrich company. From every available window, and even from the roof, hundreds of employees cheered the Silver Fleet, and then thronged the street to meet them.

Escorted by the police, the Silver Fleet entered downtown Boston and stopped on School streets, outside City

Hall. The drivers, all dressed in snappy dark-blue uniforms with black slouch hats, were presented to City Treasurer Frank L. Brier, who represented the city in the absence of Mayor Nichols. Through the downtown streets the caravan moved attracting considerable attention. The cars were parked outside 96 Broadway during the noon hour and were closely examined by several hundred persons. Questioners were told that the caravan had started out from New York city last January, and will end the tour in that city next Nov. 1.

### VISIT CAMBRIDGE

After luncheons the Silver Fleet moved toward Cambridge, where at City Hall Walter L. Rose, secretary to Mayor Quinn, presented the greetings of the city and signed the goodwill scroll. Then the Goodrich dealers in Greater Boston were visited. The group will remain here overnight at the Hotel Lenox and will meet Gov. Allen this morning.

The fleet was parked outside the store of James M. Linihan on Federal street, while hundreds examined the tires. Former Mayor James M. Curley visited the fleet and spoke to the drivers. He was greeted by Lt. Schaeffer and the pilots. The mayoral candidate presented the commander with a letter and a photograph, taken in Boston during the last campaign, to be delivered to former Gov. Smith in New York next month.

TRAVELER 10/4/29

## M'CORMACK HITS 10/4 G. G. A. AS CLIQUE

Assailing the Good Government Association as a clique and declaring that any man elected by a clique is controlled by a clique, Congressman John W. McCormack of South Boston predicted the election of James M. Curley as mayor at the noonday rally for women at the Curley women's headquarters at 19 Beacon street. Mrs. Mary E. Gaallaagher of Brighton presided and other speakers were Mrs. Helen C. Galvin and Mrs. Collin W. McDonald.

McCormack declared that Curley if returned to office would represent all classes and all elements in the city.

GLOBE 10/5/29

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## CURLEY DECLARES BOSTON WILL GO FAR

10/5  
Promises Great Progress If  
He Is Elected

Former Rivals Join With Him in  
East Boston Rally

Promising that "Boston will go further in the next four years than it has in the past 40 years" if he is elected mayor, declaring that he will strive to bind the surrounding cities and towns into a Greater Boston, and asserting that much of Boston's future prosperity and expansion lies in the East Boston airport, James M. Curley formally sent his "singing army" on its way through his campaign for Mayor of Boston when he came before nearly 800 East Boston men and women last night in the main hall of the East Boston High School. He was the first political candidate ever to speak under the endorsement of the Fitton Athletic Club.

It was not a bitter, vindictive speech that the ex-mayor gave, nor was it a speech of rancor or personal attack. Not once did he mention the name of his opponents. Not once did he deal with personalities. Rather, he dealt with the several problems that affect the East Boston people—and the problems, he pointed out, which were settled by him during his previous administrations.

### Frequent Applause

The audience, in which was a large sprinkling of women, was receptive and frequently applauded. Before Mr Curley began his address, Frank Benson, president of the Fittons, presented him with a bouquet of roses, for Mrs Curley.

In his speech, Mr Curley declared that this campaign was being run along different lines than previous mayoralty battles, "all the leaders are behind one man," he said, "all the Democratic heads have enlisted in the 'singing army. Every substantial Democrat leader in the community is behind James M. Curley." He indicated the men who were on the platform with him, as supplementary speakers: ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, ex-Congressman Peter F. Tague, Congressman James W. McCormack and ex-Fire Commissioner Theodore A. Glynn.

One by one, Mr Curley took up the important phases of East Boston industrial and community life—the work that he has done to prevent the establishment of the "oil farm," the hope and promise for further development of the airport, the promise that he will establish a Standway Beach in East Boston at Bayswater, the declaration that he will seek in every way to guard and increase the health of the community.

### State House Control

"No city in America is so restricted in its municipal liberties as is Boston," said Mr Curley. "The city government is practically bound hand and foot by the drafting of power by the State departments. They have us bound by the power of the Metropolitan District Commission, the Civil

Service Commission and other State departments."

"Many people are asking: 'Hasn't Curley had enough?' My answer is, you can't learn the intricacies of the office in one term. It takes study and a long period of good work to accomplish the best that a Mayor can offer."

### Expects Religious Issue

Ex-Congressman Tague indicated several times that "the religious issue" will be injected into the Mayoral campaign by the Curley opponents.

"Al Smith," he said, "was defeated by the most atrocious issue ever brought into a campaign, and an attempt is now being made to bring the same issue into the campaign by the same men who brought the notorious Shearer to Boston, so that he go back and tell them that he had 'fooled the simple Irish.'"

When John F. Fitzgerald came down the aisle the orchestra struck up "Sweet Adeline," and the ex-Mayor went at once to the piano and broke into the chorus of the song he has made famous. Then, from the stage, came the Curley campaign song. This, said Mr Curley a few minutes later, as the singing had died down, is to be a "singing campaign" throughout, marked at all rallies by songs.

William Crawford of the Fittons presided.

AMERICAN 10/4/29

### Curley Indorsement

10/4 Denied by Pelletier

Emphatic denial that he had sent an indorsement of the candidacy of James M. Curley by the Police Post of the American Legion and had signed it himself, was made by Arthur L. J. Pelletier, commander of the post, in a statement issued yesterday. The Curley campaign headquarters confirmed Mr. Pelletier's statement, saying there was no record of any such indorsement on their books.

## VETO OF EAST BOSTON GAS ORDER RECEIVED

Mayor Indicates He Will  
Leave It to Street Board

Also Disapproves Council's Proposal  
for Commonwealth-Av Signals

The City Council yesterday afternoon recorded Mayor Nichols' veto on the order of Sept 23 to the effect that the granting of a license to the Boston Port Development Company, for the sale and storage of petroleum products at 100 Boardman st, East Boston, be disapproved.

The action of the Mayor indicates that he intends to leave the matter of granting the petition or dismissing it in the hands of the Street Commissioners, with whom the petition for the so-called gasoline "farm" was filed several weeks ago. The petition was the subject of a public hearing for three days a few weeks ago and at that time 1500 residents of East Boston journeyed to City Hall daily during the hearings to register their protest.

### Council Invoked Old Rule

On Sept 23 Pres Timothy F. Donovan of the Council in an effort to take the petition out of the hands of the Street Commissioners invoked an old ruling which gives the Council power beyond the Street Commissioners. Donovan's order went to the executive committee of the Council which passed it and sent it to the Mayor for his approval.

Mayor Nichols yesterday also vetoed the Council order for a loan order for \$125,000 for installation of a unit of traffic signal lights on Commonwealth av, between Arlington st and Governor sq. The Mayor explained that he has several important improvements pending and he did not desire to tie up such a large sum until he saw his way clear. The signal light control unit was recommended by Prof McClintock of the Mayor's street traffic survey board.

### Moves Election Half-Holiday

Councillor Frank B. Sullivan of Dorchester introduced an order to the effect that all city employees be given a half holiday on election day, Nov 5. Councillor Sullivan said that the municipal election comes only once in four years and in view of the fact that department heads take the day off he felt that those under them should be entitled to a half day. The order was referred to the executive committee.

The council gave a first reading to the order of Councillor Thomas H. Green of Charlestown for a loan order for \$60,000 for the extension of the Emmons playground off Rutherford av, near State Prison. The council was recorded in favor of the order. The council also gave final readings to two other playground orders of Councillor Green—for \$12,500 for construction of a field house on Charlestown Heights, and \$25,000 for a field house on the Barry playground. The three playgrounds are in Ward 2, Charlestown.



# RIVALS IN FIGHT FOR MAYOR MEET

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## Curley, Mansfield and Coakley Confront Each Other at Microphone--- Exchange Friendly Greetings

BY WILTON VAUGH

The battle lines in the mayoralty campaign were sharply and definitely drawn last night when the three candidates, for the first time since they filed their nominations, met quite unexpectedly before the microphone at radio station WNAC. Although their several advisers attempted to avert the meeting there was a general exchange of salutations without any noticeable breach of etiquette.

### DIFFERENCE IN GREETINGS

The dramatic encounter of Coakley, Curley and Mansfield, in alphabetical order, within the same reception room, all but overshadowed their utterances of the evening. It all came about through the fact that Curley was to follow Mansfield on the air, and Coakley, though not scheduled to broadcast, dropped in to listen and then comment.

Visitors noted the marked difference in the greetings. Mansfield and Coakley chatted amiably, while Curley simply waived a hand to Coakley. Then Mansfield extended his hand to the former Mayor and with the handclasp said: "You made a good speech, Jim. How did you like mine?"

"Well, it sounded like the old days in the ward room, when the boys were running for the defunct Common Council," replied Curley, moving out.

### Mansfield Talks of Graft

In his radio debut Candidate Mansfield raised the cry of "graft," charging that if the former Mayor is re-elected it will mean that the "city's expenditures will have to be inflated in order to provide a margin of graft for those contributors who have so lavishly given to Mayor Curley's campaign." He declared that his chief opponent is spending more than the mayoral salary for four years, amounting to \$80,000, in his efforts to obtain another term.

Directing his barrage against Mansfield, former Mayor Curley then warned the voters against "a novice" in city government, pointing out that a man with training can "save hundreds of thousands of dollars as against a loss of a like amount through the election of one lacking municipal training and experience, even though he be an honest and well-intentioned man."

### Bitter Attack on G. G. A.

The former Mayor levelled a bitter attack upon the Good Government Association for "selecting and electing Mayors who have no experience in municipal affairs." He insisted that the "problems to be solved in the next four years are of such magnitude that they

should not be committed to any individual lacking in training as against one whose experience, capacity and ability have been tested and not found wanting." He recalled that during his administration at City Hall more land was purchased for playgrounds than under the service of any other Chief Executive and not once was the breath of scandal raised.

At the conclusion of the two addresses Candidate Coakley sat down at a desk and in a public statement attacked Curley for ignoring his radio attack of the previous evening, which opened the broadcasting campaign. Again he charged that former Mayor Curley was not a "friend" of former Governor Smith in the last presidential campaign. "A confessed enemy of Governor Alfred E. Smith has as much chance of being elected Mayor as the much talked about man had of getting through hell in a celluloid suit," said Coakley.

### Mansfield's First Sharp Attack

The Mansfield bomb was the first sharp attack of the campaign. He openly charged that both Curley administrations have been discredited and for this reason he said, Boston has been robbed of home rule in its municipal government. He declared that if Curley is re-elected the Legislature will place further restrictions on the city which will stop Boston's progress.

Curley is seeking another term, he charged, simply to promote "his own political ambition. It is not for the honor of being Mayor, because he already has had eight years. And it is not for the \$80,000 in salary, for he is spending a great deal more in his efforts to be elected.

### Curley Avoids Controversies

Mansfield charged that the former Mayor has had "no business or profession except politics," and charged that he is attempting to "hog the job." He warned the voters against being influenced by the famous Curley voice and charged that the former Mayor has failed to keep his pledges in the past, referring specifically to his alleged failure to retain the 5-cent fare on the Elevated system.

Although he had a 5-minute wait after Mansfield had completed his speech, former Mayor Curley confined his 10-minute radio talk to a prepared speech which he had written out earlier in the day. He made no effort to enter a controversy with his opponents. Referring to the enemy slogan: "Hasn't Curley had enough," the former Mayor charged that his opponents term "experience" as a "liability."

### Points to Tax Increases

He pointed to his experience in office as the real reason he should go back to City Hall for a third term, explaining that he had kept down the tax rate, while his Good Government successors placed the burden of millions upon millions at the doorstep of the taxpayers. This was because of the inexperience of the candidates the G. G. A. endorsed for Mayor, he said.

After recalling the major increases in the tax rate during the Peters and the Nichols administrations, which he termed Good Government terms, because of the fact the reform organization supported them, former Mayor Curley said:

"Summed up in one vital question the voters at the coming mayoralty election must decide:

"Do the home owners, rent payers and business men of the city of Boston desire to entrust the administration at City Hall to James M. Curley with his official record of economy and accomplishment, or do they wish to continue with so-called Good Government with its official record of increased taxes, increased burdens upon real estate and business due largely to the selection and election of men as Mayors who have had no experience in municipal affairs?"

### "Experience, Capacity and Ability"

"The problems to be solved in the next four years are of such magnitude that they should not be committed to any individual lacking in executive training as against one whose experience, capacity and ability has been tested and not found wanting. The relief of traffic congestion through street widenings, the smooth surfacing of existing highways, the construction of the East Boston tunnel, the installation of a traffic signal system, if supervised by an honest, energetic and experienced Mayor may represent a saving of many hundreds of thousands of dollars, as against a loss of a like amount if conducted by one lacking municipal training and experience, even though he be an honest and well intentioned man.

"The hospital, health and social welfare programme started in 1922 by me, if carried out as determined upon in accordance with plans of competent medical authorities, should result in making Boston rank first in health and hospitalization service of all American cities, and there is grave danger in delegating this work to an inexperienced man.

### "Never a Scandal"

"The adoption of a system of subway extension and the insistence of a beginning on electrification of steam railroads, coupled with a dependable and adequate street car service, calls for an experienced executive to insure results rather than continued irritating and costly delays.

"The establishment and maintenance in every department of the city of a wage scale equal to that paid in any other American city without unduly or unfairly burdening the tax payers is not the work to delegate to a novice in municipal affairs.

"During my terms as Mayor more consideration was given for the welfare of mothers and children through the establishment of playgrounds and notwithstanding the fact that more land was taken under me than other mayors, there was never a scandal in connection with a single taking, experience here meant a vast saving to the people.

### Refers to Legion Convention

"The city of Boston gives promise of being the premier convention city of America and this has been made possible in large measure through the removal of the obstacle which had so long prevented major organizations from considering our city, namely, adequate hotel accommodation and a sizable convention hall. In 1924, I secured a change in the height of the building law to permit of construction and reconstruction to a height of 155 feet and induced the late E. M. Statler to erect the Statler Hotel.

"The coming of the American Legion next year and the large number of organizations who are considering or have already decided to convene in Boston during the tercentenary year means an observance in keeping with the importance of the occasion.

"The need of the hour is united, harmonious work by all persons and organizations interested in the city and its people and as your Mayor I pledge my every effort to the consummation of this programme, without which worthwhile progress is impossible."

### "Want to Be Mayor Forever?"

After a brief summary of his own career, Candidate Mansfield stated that he had no selfish interest in seeking the office of Mayor, but that he desired to "save the city from the bosses," and would be content with a single term.

Attacking his opponent's billboard advertising as "arrogance of the man," he declared that the people resent the "Boston Needs Curley" signs, for they do not want to see the mayoralty handed down like a sceptre from a king to a crown prince. "Isn't it time to give someone else a chance? What opportunity will your son or daughter have to advance in public life if one man is going to be allowed to hog the Mayor's office?" pleaded Mansfield with the radio audience. "Does he want to be Mayor forever?"

### "Two Administrations Discredited"

Discussing the action of the State in robbing Boston of home rule, the former State Treasurer said:

"If elected, what can he do for the city? His two administrations have already been discredited and no Mayor of Boston can accomplish any great good for this city unless the people not only of the city but of the State have confidence in his honesty and ability.

"And this is the reason why Boston does not have home rule. The reason that the Legislature interferes with Boston's affairs and puts a limit to the debt that Boston can incur, appoints a police commissioner for the city and a licensing board, and a finance commission to see that the city treasury is not looted is because in the last 25 years some of the administrations given to the city by some of the Mayors have clearly shown that these particular persons cannot be trusted with unlimited power or with the expenditure of unlimited sums of money.

### "His Supreme Arrogance"

"What lasting improvement can my opponent point to as the result of eight years in the Mayor's chair? What has he ever done to justify him in asking for re-election? He has been Mayor for eight years, was a defeated candidate for another term of four years and now he is a candidate again. He has been actively campaigning to be elected Mayor of Boston since Mayor Nichols was elected, pausing for a while to run for Governor in the meantime. He caused the Mayor's salary to be raised in order that he might get the benefit of it, as he said, after a four-year vacation. He insists that the people of Boston must take him as Mayor whether they want him or not. I think the citizens will resent his supreme arrogance.

### "Hasn't Mr. Curley Had Enough?"

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"And just one thought that I wish to leave in your minds. It is this: My desires are simple. My income is modest. It has been derived entirely from my law practice. I am not a millionaire and I have not unlimited means at my disposal. Mr. Curley has had no business or profession excepting that of politics. He is reputed to be a very wealthy man. But however that may be he is spending vast sums of money in this campaign. I am told that his advertising appears on billboards even on the Cape and in the Western part of this State. He is either paying expenses himself or from contributions that are coming to him.

### "Who Is Going to Pay Those Bills?"

"If he is successful in his candidacy who do you suppose is going to pay those bills? The answer is plain. If he is elected you and I, citizens of Boston, will be paying these bills in the form of increased taxes. Because many of the persons who contribute to my opponent's campaign are men who expect favors in the future or who have been favored in the past. Every dollar that they spend they will expect to be returned to them ten-fold. The result will be that the city will have to pay more than it ought to pay for all public works and that all forms of expenditures of the city's money will be inflated in order to provide a margin of graft to be handed out as favors to those persons who are contributing so lavishly to Mr. Curley's campaign. Think this over, citizens of Boston, and ask yourself if you want to be assessed in the form of higher taxes for the purpose of paying these campaign debts."

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# Campaign Bards Now Going Full Blast with Eulogies

## Honeyed Lines in Praise of Curley Disprove Theory of Boston's Decline as Cultural Centre—Some Ringing Stanzas

By THE HERALD'S ROVING REPORTER

Hot in the middle of the political campaign, the Rover is getting a peek at the technique whereby a candidate seeks to keep himself in the public eye. Not the old baby-kissing, cigar-handing technique—no, not even the old back-slapping, good-old-Simpkins-vote-for-Simpkins technique.

Rather has the Rover been fascinated by the stupendous self-eulogies which these candidates, under their own signatures, are solemnly offering to the press. He had one the other day, for example, presented (for publication) by a prospective school committeeman. It went something like this:

"Boston needs a man of sterling honesty, utter fearlessness, and powerful intellect for school committeeman. Such a man is J. Oscar Schatzkammer, etc., etc."

### CAMPAIGN BARDS

Well, just as the Rover was working himself up about the utter fearlessness of Mr. Schatzkammer, and admiring the freedom of expression with which he was defining himself, somebody staggered into the office under a heavy load of poetry—campaign poetry. And with a nod to Keats and Byron, and a low

bow to the Browning Society, the Rover herewith presents a few of the more inspired. Read them, and remember them when you reach the polls next month:

In the first place, it appears that a man named Curley is running for mayor. (The Rover believes the name is James, after a careful reading of the lyrics in his honor.) At any rate:

### A POLITICAL SONG

(To the Tune of Auld Lang Syne)

Jim will be mayor of this town

He gives the people service

He fights the snobs and makes the jobs

In politics no novice.

Like Teddy bold and Al the just,  
Our Jim will give us action

Words are but weeds, while acts  
are deeds

Which work for every faction.

Yes, Bigger Boston stands for  
James

And Michael stands for better  
While Curley with the city's keys  
Will open up for bustier.

May not the Rover express his sorrow that this composition is anonymous?

Fortunately, however, the author of the next stanzas has appended his signature. Hats off, men, to John J. Ahern, to whose poetic fury the following lines are due:

There is one man amongst us

Away above them all

He held the people spellbound

In Young's Hotel last fall.

He won the state for Alfred Smith

With me you will agree.

The man I mean is Curley,

Our next mayor he will be.

He's fearless and courageous

As everybody knows,

There is no one we know of

Who can fill his shoes and clothes.

A credit to old Boston

Likewise his country.

The man I mean is Curley,

Boston's next mayor he will be.

In every office that he he'd

He stood the acid test.

For mayor he's better qualified

Than any of the rest.

Just wait until November

And you will plainly see

The man I mean is Curley,

Hub's next mayor he will be.

Another copy of the same item in the Rover's possession, though, is signed by Michael J. Brennan. So if he has doffed his hat to the wrong man, let Mr. Brennan be assured that no discrimination was intended. Is it, as a matter for the record, Mr. Brennan or Mr. Ahern?

And now comes a certain Mrs. Frances E. Braun, further to anoint the already glistening Mr. Curley with those heart-felt syllables:

### THE CALL OF THE PEOPLE

We want a man in the mayor's chair.

One who is upright, efficient and square,

One to do the people's will;  
James M. Curley fills the bill.

He is experienced and capable, too,  
And knows the office through and through.

He is the best one of them all,  
So send him back to City Hall.

Go to the polls bright and early,  
Cast your vote for James M. Curley.  
Then give three cheers with vigor  
and vim.

For Boston's own esteemed son,  
"Jim."

The Roving Reporter trusts that there will be no more captious babbling of Boston's decline as a cultural centre. The critics are answered—let them hold their peace.

He would also like to add that he is extremely hospitably inclined toward items of this nature and will gratefully receive any further specimens.

# POLITICS AND POLITICIANS

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By JOHN D. MERRILL

Ex-Gov Alvan T. Fuller has gone to Europe without telling the people of Massachusetts whether or not he intends to be a candidate next year for the United States Senate. Most people believe he will run, but he has given no indication of what is in his mind. The Republican politicians are anxious to know his political program.

Some of the party leaders, with whom the former Governor has never been popular, are spreading the story that if Mr Fuller should be elected to the Senate he would be a thorn in the side of the majority organization in that body, already worried by the independent attitude of certain Senators. It is probably true that Mr Fuller might be inclined from time to time to act on his own judgment instead of surrendering wholly to the wishes of the party leaders, but there can be little doubt that he would be a supporter of President Hoover. The two have much in common. If the facts were known it would be clear that the Republican leaders in Washington do not like Mr Hoover much more than the party leaders in this State like Mr Fuller.

The ex-Governor did a good deal for Mr Hoover at a rather critical time in the latter's campaign for the Presidential nomination last year. Mr Fuller's stand in the preliminary contest and his insistence that the Republican voters in Massachusetts should have the opportunity to express on the primary ballot their preference among the Presidential candidates resulted in an overwhelming majority in favor of Mr Hoover in the Republican primary here. That vote gave the Hoover movement impetus at exactly the time it was needed. The President doubtless has not forgotten what Mr Fuller accomplished in Massachusetts and probably would like to show his gratitude. Hence the offer of the ambassadorship to Japan.

There is no doubt that the offer was made. The first evidence on that point was Mr Fuller's answer to the newspaper reporters when they asked him whether the place had been tendered; he replied that he had nothing to say on the matter. Everybody who knew Mr Fuller felt certain that he would have said "no" unless there was something which he felt obliged to conceal. He is usually frank and open.

## The Senatorial Contest

Other facts have slowly seeped through. The latest information from Washington gives the name of the gentleman who represented President Hoover in making the offer and also contains the news that the members of the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs had been asked whether the appointment of Mr Fuller would be acceptable to them. This story may be somewhat embarrassing to the President, to Mr Fuller, to the Japanese Government and to the man who eventually takes the post of Ambassador to that country, but it cannot be doubted.

It has been said that if the President offered the place to Mr Fuller he did so because he wanted to keep the latter out of the Senatorial contest in Massachusetts, but, for the reasons already set forth, the more likely explanation is Mr Hoover's desire to demonstrate his appreciation of what Mr Fuller had accomplished in the Massachusetts primary of 1923.

To be sure, the Republican leaders in the Senate and also those in Massachusetts would

Fuller does not become a candidate to succeed Mr Gillett, but there is no reason to believe that the President has taken, or will take, any part in that contest.

No one knows whether or not Senator Gillett will run again, but most people would not be surprised if he retired at the end of his present term. He deserves the gratitude of the party because, among other things, he retired from the Speakership of the House and, against his own wishes, became a candidate for the Senate. But sentiment will not weigh heavily if it appears that Mr Gillett might be beaten by the Democratic nominee, whoever he may be.

The story has been going the rounds lately that Ex-Senator William M. Butler may be a candidate for the Senatorship next year. To be sure, he was defeated by Senator Walsh in 1926, but Mr Butler's friends point out that the plurality against him was 55,000, while B. Loring Young was defeated last year by 124,000. From these facts the conclusion is drawn that Senator Walsh is practically unbeatable and further that Mr Butler might reasonably expect to be elected over the Democratic nominee next year, who will, presumably, be weaker than Senator Walsh at the polls.

Senator Gillett can properly call attention to the fact that he defeated Senator Walsh in 1924 and thus accomplished a feat which no other Republican candidate for the Senate has been able to duplicate.

## Among the Democrats

The Democratic candidate for the Senate in 1930 has not been selected, at least by the voters, but the indications at the moment are that Marcus A. Coolidge of Fitchburg is the choice of the party leaders. He is a man of wealth, of standing in the community, his name may be a political asset in the State, and it is not at all unlikely that he may be nominated.

It was believed a few months ago that Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald of this city might run for his party's senatorial nomination and that no Democrat could defeat Mr Fitzgerald in the primary if the latter was a contestant, but the field will be an open one if he decides not to run. Other candidates have been suggested—Mrs Sayre, daughter of Woodrow Wilson, Ex-Mayor Andrew J. Peters of this city, Sherman L. Whipple, and one or two others—but it looks now as though Mr Coolidge might have the best chance.

Another story was that Mr Fitzgerald would be a candidate for Governor next year, but the latest report is that he will not enter that field either, and that Gen Edward L. Logan of this city may be selected to run against Gov Allen. Gen Logan is as well known as any Democrat in Boston. Although he has been "mentioned" for many public offices, he has seldom run. His friends believe that his strength with the "soldier vote" would be worth much to the party and that his personal popularity also would bring him many independent votes.

Ex-Mayor Peters has not been fortunate in politics lately. The understanding last year—at least on the part of the Smith organization in New York—was that Mr Peters would be the Democratic nominee for Governor of Massachusetts, but the entrance of Gen Charles H. Cole and the support he obtained from the party leaders here kept Mr Peters out of that con-

not enjoy what happened then. More recently it has been believed that the Democrats might unite next year on Mr Peters and thus give him his chance against Gov Allen, but the indications at present are that Mr Peters will be pushed aside or compelled to fight for the nomination for Governor, a course he is unlikely to take.

The Massachusetts Democrats will make a great effort in the next State campaign to avoid primary contests. They used to say that fights were to be desired for the reason that they roused interest and brought out the voters, but, now that the party has what seems to be a good chance of carrying the State, the Democrats are as anxious as the Republicans to go through the primary without rousing bitterness in the party.

## The Mayoralty Campaign

It may be that the election of a Mayor of Boston next month will have bearing on the immediate future of the Democratic party in the State. Mr Curley and his friends will be tremendously shocked if he is beaten in the coming campaign and may feel so bitter that they will try to take vengeance, in spite of the fact that both of his opponents are Democrats. But, in the opinion of most of the politicians, the defeat of Mr Curley is now what might be called an improbable future condition. Things may change in the next few weeks, however, and the friends of the other candidates for Mayor believe that they will.

The Mayoralty campaign has not been exciting thus far, but will doubtless warm up in the next few weeks. When the three candidates become active on the stump they will rouse the interest of the public. The radio will be used by all of the candidates. They are actively at work although they have not yet made many speeches on the platform. At present they are preparing the ammunition which they propose to shoot in the weeks just ahead.

Registration has gone on actively, and, although the number of registered voters in the coming election will probably be considerably smaller than it was for the Presidential election last November, the total vote cast will be very large. The politicians are somewhat uncertain and disturbed about the women. It is not very difficult for experienced observers to anticipate what the men will do, but the attitude of the women is not so easily recognized in advance.



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Clarence King

—Photo by Bachrach

# ADVERTISER COAKLEY HEARS MANSFIELD AND CURLEY 'ON AIR'

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Two of Mayoral Candidates  
Talk on Radio, Third  
Issues Statement

The mayoralty wave lengthed last night, with ex-Mayor James M. Curley listening from the outside to Frederick W. Mansfield's address from the inside, Mansfield listening to Curley in the broadcast reception room and Daniel H. Coakley, at the radio station, lending an ear to both.

After Curley's broadcast from Station WNAC, 7:45 to 7:55, Mansfield, the Good Government Association candidate, shook hands with the ex-mayor.

"I enjoyed your speech very much," said Mansfield. "How did you like mine?"

Curley grinned and brought his voice up from its lowest register.

"Well," he replied, "it sounded to me like the old days in old Ward 17 when we were campaigning for the City Council."

## WANTS ONLY ONE TERM

Mansfield, former State treasurer, went on the air first for 10 minutes, ending five minutes before Curley took the microphone.

With the ex-mayor listening, Mansfield said:

"I am a candidate for mayor for no selfish reason. I have been urged to make this contest by large numbers of people, many of them my friends and many persons whom I had never met. I am making this contest to save and protect Boston from the bosses.

"If elected I shall be content with one term as mayor. Having no ambitions to be mayor forever, I shall conduct the office for the best interests of all the citizens

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of this city, and not for the purpose of increasing political power for myself."

## CITES HIS EXPERIENCE

"The most unfortunate feature of our system of municipal government is the custom of determining elections upon personal rather than economic issues," Curley said.

"In the present campaign experience that in private employment would be rightly regarded as an asset is termed a liability.

"The burden of government is borne by everyone—business man, home owner and rent payer, and the price which they have in the past been compelled to pay in increased taxation may properly be charged to executive inexperience.

In 1914, the first year of my first term as Mayor, the tax rate was \$17.50 and at the end of the four year term was \$17.50, despite the fact that for the first time in the history of the city all school land taken and all school buildings erected were paid for out of taxes."

## COAKLEY'S STATEMENT

Coakley issued a statement which said in part:

"His attempt to displace Mrs. Frances B. Sayre from presiding at the big Smith rally, at which the governor himself spoke so feelingly to her. I called upon my radio audience to listen to him tonight.

"With the sole exception of Governor Smith himself, tonight he had a larger radio audience than anyone else. All were awaiting an answer to my charge—an explanation, a denial. Silence was the answer. Not a word in denial, in explanation, in extenuation—silence is confession.

"He was specifically charged with selfishly exploiting Governor Smith last fall, specifications given, names named, witnesses called, Senator David I. Walsh, the executive committee of the national committee. Faced with these witnesses, he could not deny the truth of my charge, that he is the enemy and not the friend of Governor Smith."



# CANDIDATES MEET IN RADIO STATION

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Curley, Mansfield and  
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Mansfield went on the air first. He waited in the anteroom until Curley had finished his 10-minute talk, and then spoke to him as he came out.

"Well, Jim," Mansfield inquired in affable tones, "how did you like my speech?"

"To be frank with you," the ex-Mayor boomed, "it sounded like days in the old ward when the kids were running for the Council."

Nothing more was said and both men departed while Coakley prepared to issue a statement to the press. Mr. Coakley came in as Mansfield was finishing his broadcast, and sought to engage 10 minutes broadcasting time. He was unable to get it on such short notice.

## Mansfield's Address

Mansfield introduced himself to his radio audience with a brief biographical sketch and then launched into his speech with the statement that he is a candidate for Mayor, not for any selfish reason, but "to save and protect Boston from the bosses."

"Let us turn to my opponent," said Mansfield. "Why does he seek to be Mayor? Not for the honor of the position surely, for he has already had that honor twice and he has been Mayor for eight years. And not because of the salary that goes with the Mayor's office. Because that salary for four years amounts to \$80,000, and he is spending a great deal more than that in his endeavor to be reelected. Then if it is not for the honor or for the salary it must be that he is a candidate in order to promote his own financial ambition."

"If I am elected I am confident that the people of Boston will receive a larger measure of home rule than has been possible during the last quarter century."

Charging that Curley "insists that the people of Boston must take him as Mayor whether they want him or not," Mansfield declared: "They do not want to see Mr. Curley conducted through the streets of Boston with a scepter in his hands and a crown upon his head. They do not wish to see the office of Mayor handed down from any king to any crown prince."

He said that Curley had failed to get the five-cent fare for Boston which he had promised to get, or resign, while campaigning for Mayor. He said that Curley failed to bring about the reduction in taxes on small homes and an

equalizing increase in the downtown district, which he also had promised. "The tax rate was not reduced but the assessed valuations on the homes were increased and the small home owners paid more taxes," Mansfield concluded, turning to the next point or promise which he alleges Curley neglected.

Closing his talk, Mr. Mansfield said: "My desires are simple. My income is modest. It has been derived entirely from my law practice. I am not a millionaire and I have not unlimited means at my disposal. Mr. Curley has had no business or profession excepting that of politics. He is reputed to be a very wealthy man. But however that may be, he is spending vast sums of money in this campaign. I am told that his advertising appears on billboards even on the Cape and in the Western part of this State. He is either paying these expenses himself or from contributions that are coming to him."

## Curley's Talk

Curley's broadcast followed five minutes after the conclusion of Mansfield's. He based his argument on the needs for an experienced man in the Mayor's office and answered the accusation of "hogging" in the opening sentences of his talk.

"The most unfortunate feature of our system of municipal government," he declared, "is the custom of determining elections upon personal rather than economic issues. In the present campaign experience, that in private employ would be rightly regarded as an asset, is termed a liability, and without facts to support the contention, the query is made—has he not had enough?"

"The best answer to this query is the tax rate plus the degree of efficiency and economy humanly exercised in discharging the duties of the office of Mayor. The burden of government is borne by everyone—business man, home owner, and rent payer, and the price which they have in the past been compelled to pay in increased taxation may properly be charged to executive inexperience."

## Says Experience Is Asset

The ex-Mayor stressed the need for an experienced man to solve "the problems of great magnitude," among which he included relief of traffic congestion through street widening, the smooth surfacing of existing highways, the construction of the East Boston tunnel, the installation of a traffic signal system, the expansion of the hospital, health and social welfare program, the adoption of a system of subway extension and the insistence on a beginning of electrification of steam railroads, coupled with a dependable and adequate street car service. He also made particular mention of "the establishment and maintenance in every department of the city of a wage scale equal to that paid in any other American city without duly or unfairly burdening the taxpayers."

Concluding, he said: "The city of Boston gives promise of being the premier convention city of America, and this has been made possible in large measure through the removal of the obstacles which had so long prevented major organizations from considering our city, namely, adequate hotel accommodations and a sizeable convention hall. In 1924 I secured a change in the height of the building law to permit of construction and reconstruction to a height of 155 feet, and induced the late E. M. Statler to erect the Statler Hotel."

At the conclusion of the broadcasts, Daniel H. Coakley issued a statement reiterating his charges against Curley made over the radio the night before.

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THERE will be but one thought in the minds of the radio fans of New England next week. It is the Ninth Annual Radio Exposition, which will unfold during six short days and nights the new 1930 pageant of radio genius and artistry. This is the annual parade of the industry's accomplishments for the twelve-month. Yesterday's ideas that were merely visions, imaginations, today realities. And somehow radio, the super-craftsman, the master showman has performed and justified the expectancy of thousands of its devotees, who religiously pilgrimage toward the Elysian temple of its god.

Radio has a habit of doing things in a staggering, colossal way. Such is broadcasting, with its nation-wide, even international coverage; such is radio manufacture with its millions of receivers from the factories each year. And now the "biggest show on earth" the largest industrial show under one roof!

Promptly at one o'clock Monday afternoon the heavy doors of the Boston Garden and Exposition Hall will be thrown open to the public of New England. This will be the "advance" opening, for the impatient fans may not wait for the "official" opening, which occurs at eight o'clock that evening. Radio show openings are famous. Former Mayor James M. Curley, and also candidate for mayor in the coming election, will officially open the show when he appears on the stage in the Garden section of the Exposition to say a few words to the thousands gathered there. Shortly afterward Reinald Werrenrath will occupy the center of attention when this noted baritone gives a concert through the courtesy of the Atwater Kent Manufacturing Company.

## MANSFIELD IS SPEAKER AT MEETING IN FANEUIL

Without dealing in personalities, several candidates for office at the forthcoming city election appeared before the members of the Faneuil Improvement Association in Faneuil Branch of the Boston Public Library, Brooks st, Faneuil, last night.

Promising "the best administration that Boston ever had," Frederick W. Mansfield declared that if he is elected Mayor, "there will be no collar on him." An invitation had been extended to James M. Curley, but he could not come and Francis McLaughlin was sent as the ex-Mayor's representative.

Five candidates for the School Committee spoke: Arthur V. Coffey, Henry J. Sullivan, William A. Reilly, Henry A. Sasserno and Mrs. Elizabeth West Pidgeon.

Two candidates for the City Council from the Faneuil district, Councilor Edward M. Gallagher and William J. Walsh, also spoke.

HERALD 10/4/29

# Mansfield Assails 'Money Campaign'; Curley Hits G. G. A.

Charges Curley Making  
Vast Outlay — Sees  
Higher Tax Rate

## CHIDES OPPONENT OVER 5-CENT FARE

### MANSFIELD'S ADDRESS

Mr. Mansfield said in part:

If elected I shall be content with one term as mayor. Having no ambitions to be mayor forever I shall conduct the office for the best interests of all the citizens of this city and not for the purpose of increasing political power for myself.

Let us turn for a moment to my opponent, Mr. Curley. Why does he seek to be mayor? Not for the honor of the position, surely, for he has already had that honor twice and he has been mayor for eight years. And not because of the salary that goes with the mayor's office. Because that salary for four years only amounts to \$80,000, and he is spending a great deal more than that in his endeavor to be re-elected. Then if it is not for the honor or for the salary it must be that he is a candidate in order to promote his own political ambition.

Airplanes have been soaring in the heavens flaunting the wealth of their employer and his impudent slogan "Boston Needs Curley." High salaried, high pressure political publicity salesmen are probably engaged sending out the propaganda "Boston Needs Curley."

### ALREADY DISCREDITED

If elected what can he do for the city? His two administrations have already been discredited and no mayor of Boston can accomplish any great good for this city unless the people not only of the city but of the state have confidence in his honesty and ability.

And this is the reason why Boston does not have home rule. The reason that the Legislature interferes with Boston's affairs, and puts a limit to the debt that Boston can incur, appoints a police commissioner for the city, and a licensing board, and a finance commission to see that the city treasury is not looted, is because in the last 25 years some of the administrations given to the city by some of the mayors have clearly shown that these particular persons cannot be trusted with unlimited power or with the expenditure of unlimited sums of money.

The people do not want to see Mr. Curley conducted through the streets of Boston with a sceptre in his hands and a crown upon his head. They do not wish to see the office of Mayor handed down from any king to any crown prince. Hasn't Mr. Curley had enough? Isn't it time to give someone else a chance? What opportunity will your son or daughter have to advance in public life if one man is going to be allowed to hog the mayor's office? Does he want to be mayor forever?

Every promise that I have made in my platform, which was printed in the newspapers last Sunday, I shall keep. My record shows, and my friends know, that I am a man of my word.

Contrast the record of my opponent, Mr. Curley. Doubtless, he will make many promises in the present campaign. His record shows that he will not keep them.

For example: When he was last a candidate for mayor he sent in to the homes of the voters with his photograph on the front page and the following modest message:

"The voters of Boston will find this to be the most remarkable piece of literature ever issued in a municipal campaign." He was right—it was.

The back page of the pamphlet was entitled "A Sacred Pledge to the People of My Native City."

The first sacred pledge on this page was the immediate return of the five cent fare to street car riders, and at a rally at the Lowell school, Jamaica Plain, a few days before, Mr. Curley said: "I give you my word of honor that I will never appear before you people again seeking public office if I do not get a 5-cent fare, and I will resign from the office of mayor if I do not succeed in one year in getting this for the voters." The people did not get the five-cent fare, Mr. Curley did not resign, and today he is running for another four year term.

## Ex-Mayor Compares His Administrations with Peters's, Nichols's

## DECLARES HE KEPT TAXES AT LOW LEVEL

### CURLEY'S ADDRESS

Mr. Curley said in part:

In the present campaign experience that in private employ would be rightly regarded as an asset liability, and without facts to support the contention the query is made—"has he not had enough?"

The best answer to this query is the tax rate plus the degree of efficiency and economy humanely exercised in discharging the duties of the office of mayor. The burden of government is borne by every one—business man, home owner, and rent payer, and the price which they have in the past

been compelled to pay in increased taxation may properly be charged to executive inexperience.

In 1914, the first year of my first term as mayor, the tax rate was \$17.50 per thousand and at the end of the four year term was \$17.70, despite the fact that for the first time in the history of the city, all school land taken and all school buildings erected were paid for out of taxes.

### FURTHER INCREASE

I was succeeded in 1918 by Mayor Peters, the Good Government candidate, and the tax rate was increased from \$17.70 to \$21.20 per thousand, an increased burden of \$6,000,000 imposed upon the tax payers during the first year of the Good Government administration.

The second year of the Good Government administration saw a further increase of \$2.40 per thousand, representing over \$4,000,000 added burden. The third year of the Good Government administration found another increase of 50 cents per thousand in the tax rate, representing about \$2,500,000 added burden, and the last year of the Good Government administration showed a further increase of 60 cents per thousand, representing \$1,500,000 additional for the year.

This represented during the four year period an increased burden to the tax payers of approximately \$43,000,000.

At the close of the Good Government Association administration in 1921, the tax rate was \$24.70 per thousand as against \$17.70 under Curley.

### MAINTAINED SAME RATE

The next year, 1922, marked the beginning of my second administration and I maintained the same tax rate of \$24.70 per thousand, for my first, second, and also for my third year. In the last year of my second administration the tax rate was advanced to \$26.70 the only increase of any appreciable amount during my entire eight years, and this in spite of the tremendous increase in cost of government and tax rates throughout the entire commonwealth.

As a continuance of this story we now come to another Good Government administration at City Hall, succeeding that of my second term, and strictly according to Good Government standards the home owners and the rent payers were immediately called upon for a tremendous increase in taxes with resulting increase in rentals.

It will be noted that the tax rate in the last year of my second administration was \$26.70 and the total tax warrant was \$50,000,000. The tax rate of the Good Government administration for the first year was immediately jumped to \$31.80 and the tax warrant increased to over \$60,000,000, an increase in one year of \$10,000,000 or 20 per cent.

It will be noted that the Good Government methods never change. The two succeeding years of the second Good Government administration have shown slight decreases in the tax rate and tax warrant due to the tremendous increase in contributions from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to the city of Boston from income taxes.

Here you have the difference between two Curley administrations and two so-called Good Government administrations in the one vital question that affects every home owner, every rent payer and every business man in the city.



## MAYORALTY CANDIDATES OPENING RADIO CAMPAIGN



Frederick W. Mansfield (left) and James M. Curley opening a series of radio rallies in their mayoralty campaigns over WNAC.

## 3 CANDIDATES MEET IN STUDIO

Mansfield Greets Curley as  
Latter Finishes Radio  
Speech

### COAKLEY APPEARS; 'CUT' BY EX-MAYOR

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield and former Mayor James M. Curley opened their series of radio rallies at station WNAC last night, with the former predicting inflated expenditures under Curley "to allow a margin for graft to be handed to contributors to Mr. Curley's campaign," and the latter predicting higher taxes "as is always the case when a Goo Goo candidate is in office."

An unannounced appearance of Daniel H. Coakley, just before Mansfield went on the air, caused a gasp of surprise to run through the crowded studio rooms. He exchanged greetings with Mansfield and complimented him on his speech. He listened attentively to Curley, but was ignored by the former mayor when the latter concluded his radio address.

#### LISTENS TO RIVAL

As both Mansfield and Curley spoke

in different studio rooms, the crowd that filled the station reception room was fearful lest the three candidates would not meet. They were not disappointed, however, for Mansfield sat in the reception room at the conclusion of his address, listened to Curley's and stood up to greet him when he left the microphone.

"Hello, Jim," said Mansfield, with a smile and outstretched hand, "you made a great speech."

"How do you do," answered Curley, taking the proffered hand.

"How did you like mine?" inquired Mansfield.

"Well, to tell you the truth, it

sounded to me like one the kids used to make in the old days when they were running for the common council," retorted the former mayor in a loud voice that filled the reception room.

Turning his back to Mansfield quickly, Curley grabbed his hat and coat from a waiting supporter, averted his head as he passed Coakley and the latter's sons standing with Curley's former publicity agent and left the room.

#### COAKLEY WARNS MANSFIELD

After Mansfield had obliged a group of newspaper photographers by posing for pictures in front of the "mike," he was approached by Coakley, who warned him to use the plural of "opponent" in the future, as he would find out before the campaign was over that he had another opponent besides Curley.

At the conclusion of the radio addresses by Mansfield and Curley, Coakley made a statement to waiting newspaper men in which he declared that Curley's silence regarding the charges made by him Friday night that Curley "selfishly exploited Gov. Smith in the presidential campaign last fall" and that "he is the enemy and not the friend of Gov. Smith" was nothing less than a confession to the charges.

"Well, that ends it," Coakley declared. "A confessed enemy of Gov. Alfred E. Smith has as much chance of being elected mayor of Boston as the much talked about man had to get through hell in a celluloid suit."

### Testimonial Dinner to Harry Campbell

Governor Frank G. Allen is one of a notable group of guests who have accepted invitations to the testimonial to Harry F. Campbell, one of the best known theatrical men in New England, in the Georgian room of Hotel Statler tomorrow evening. The occasion will mark the 25th anniversary of Campbell in the theatrical field.

Others on the guest list include Mayor Nichols, ex-Mayor Curley and Judge Albert J. Brackett.

Leading the committee are Thomas F. Spry, chairman; Jacob Laurie, vice-chairman; Louis M. Boas, treasurer, and William H. Erbb, secretary.



H. F. Campbell

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# CHARGES CURLEY 'THROWING DUST'

But Can't Cloud Bankrupt  
City Issue, Declares  
10/7 Mansfield

An address by Frederick W. Mansfield before the Boston Freight Handlers Lodge, the indorsement of James M. Curley by the City Employees Union, local 149, and a poll of Allston voters by Daniel H. Coakley, featured the activities of the three candidates for mayor yesterday. On the whole, however, the candidates spent a quiet Sabbath and seemed to be resting prior to a torrid week of campaigning.

Mr. Mansfield will open his outdoor speaking at an open air rally and reception which will be tendered him this evening at 8 o'clock at Central square, East Boston. In his speech before the freight handlers at Wells Memorial building the former state treasurer sharply attacked former Mayor Curley for his criticism of the administrations of Mayors Peters and Nichols, especially Curley's statement that these mayors were inexperienced in public affairs before becoming chief executives of the city.

## CALLS IT THROWING DUST

"Mr. Curley's frantic attempts to throw dust in the eyes of the people of Boston and hide behind a batch of figures, which are meaningless, will not deceive the people this time for they are wise to his old time, shop-worn shell game," said Mr. Mansfield.

"The only reason that the tax rate was increased \$5 per \$1000, the greatest in Boston's history after each of the Curley wasteful administrations, by both Mayor Peters and Mayor Nichols was because Mr. Curley left the city of Boston financially bankrupt. No one knows this any better than the same Mr. Curley.

"One of the sad features of Mr. Curley's last administration is the loss of the large assembling factory of the Ford Motor Company to Boston. This property would have brought thousands of dollars in taxation into our city treasury. Officials of this concern were anxious to establish the big plant in Charlestown but lack of co-operation on the part of the city's chief executive at that time necessitated selecting a location in Somerville."

## CURLEY ENDORSED

Former Mayor Curley was endorsed by the City Employees Union, local 149, at a meeting in Washington hall, 995 Washington street. In a letter to Timothy J. Regan, secretary-treasurer of the City Employees' Union, in reply to a request as to what his attitude will be if elected mayor, Mr. Curley stated that his position regarding city employees has never undergone any change during his terms in public office. He wrote:

"The wages of laborers and mechanics during each of my two terms as mayor were greater at the end of the term than when I assumed office. Upon my initiative, legislation to end part-time day labor and to provide for permanency in employment for all employees of the city was enacted."

Mr. Curley denied saying in this campaign that he would cut the city payroll.

"The custom of discharging men when an administration changed because of either political activity or preference was ended through the establishment, upon my initiative, of a pension system applying to every city employee," he continued. "In a message to the city council, delivered Feb. 4, 1924, my position with reference to city employees is fully set forth and should be read for the benefit of those who handle truth carelessly. My position is known to every impartial, unprejudiced, honest citizen and despite false statements in the press (not The Herald), later denied, or the whispers of paid propagandists, has suffered or will suffer no change."

## COAKLEY TAKES POLL

Mr. Coakley announced last night that following the radio addresses of his two opponents he decided to have a careful canvass taken yesterday of a solid block of 100 voters in ward 21, Allston, working from the official precinct book so as to avoid errors.

He said the canvass resulted as follows: Unable to locate for interview, 18; refused to state preference, 21; for Mansfield, 24; for Curley, 22 and for Coakley, 15.

"Of the 21 who refused to declare, 11 said it was too early to make a decision and the other 10 practically said it was nobody's business except their own," Mr. Coakley said. "Of the 61 who openly declared themselves for one or another of the three candidates, 39 are regular Democrats and 22 are regular Republicans."

# MANSFIELD SAYS CURLEY 10/7 COST CITY FORD PLANT

Because of lack of cooperation on the part of Ex-Mayor Curley, the assembling factory of the Ford Motor Company was lost to Boston, according to a speech of Frederick W. Mansfield, made yesterday before Boston Freight Handlers, Lodge 975, at Wells Memorial.

"This property," said Mr. Mansfield, "would have brought thousands of dollars in taxation into our city treasury. Officials of the concern were anxious to establish the big plant in Charlestown, but lack of cooperation on the part of the city's chief executive at that time necessitated selecting a location in Somerville."

Mr. Mansfield declared that in the Saturday night radio address of Mr. Curley the ex-Mayor explained the large increases in the tax rate made by Ex-Mayor Peters and Mayor Nichols subsequent to Curley administrations by attributing the increases to inexperience of the Mayors who followed him. Mr. Mansfield countered by pointing out Mr. Peters' experience as State Senator, member of Congress, Assistant Secretary of the Treasurer, and organizer of the War Risk Insurance Bureau. He also pointed to Mr. Nichols' experience of newspaperman, Representative, State Senator, chairman of the Boston Housing Commission and the Boston Transit Commission, and Collector of Internal Revenue.

The reason for the increases, Mr. Mansfield said, was that Mr. Curley left the city bankrupt each time he went out of office.

Mr. Mansfield will open his outdoor speaking campaign tomorrow evening at 6 o'clock in his home section, Central sq., East Boston, with a reception and rally.

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AS MAYORAL CANDIDATE MANSFIELD SEES HIS ANTAGONIST JAMES M. CURLEY—





# COAKLEY CLAIMS MANSFIELD LEADS

## 10/7 Curley Second, Is Last Himself, in Poll of 100 Voters in Allston— Mansfield Talks Tax Rate

Departing from the usual claims of strength in political campaigns, Daniel H. Coakley, candidate for Mayor of Boston, last night issued the result of a poll he had taken of 100 voters in Allston, which placed him at the bottom of the list of the three aspirants for the Mayor's chair. According to this "Coakley poll," former Mayor James M. Curley trailed Frederick W. Mansfield by two votes, and Mr. Coakley was seven votes behind Curley.

Mr. Coakley's statement offers an analysis of this canvass, and he gives his interpretation of it as showing a general trend of Democratic votes to his support.

### ANSWERS CURLEY

Mr. Mansfield issued a statement replying to the charge of Mr. Curley Saturday night that the mayors of Boston sponsored by the Good Government Association increased the tax rate. He stated that the increases were necessary because of the wasteful Curley administrations. He also charged former Mayor Curley with losing the Somerville plant of the Ford Motor Company for Boston.

Former Mayor Curley, while stating that he did not consider the political fight of sufficient importance to campaign on a Sunday, made public a letter to Timothy J. Regan of the City Employees' Union, in which he pointed out that the wages of laborers and mechanics during each of his two terms as mayor were greater at the end of the terms than when he assumed office. He also announced that the City Employees' Union had endorsed his candidacy at its meeting yesterday afternoon at Washington Hall in the South End.

Mr. Coakley's announcement says that he will have other sections of Boston canvassed later in the campaign. He claimed that yesterday's poll was taken of a solid block of 100 voters in Ward 21, Allston, which was made from the official precinct book to avoid errors. He announced the following result:

Unable to locate for interview	18
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For Mansfield for mayor	24
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Total 100

### Opens Rally Schedule

Mr. Mansfield spoke yesterday at an

\* open meeting of the Boston Terminal Freight Handlers' Union at Wells Memorial and later at the New Thought Forum on Huntington avenue. At the former meeting he gave a sketch of his life and activities and at the forum meeting entered into a discussion of his platform. Tonight he will open his schedule of rallies with an open air rally in Central square, East Boston. Plans have also been made to extend a reception to him by his women workers at their East Boston headquarters in Central square.

Mr. Mansfield's statements last night characterized the comments of former Mayor Curley on the administrations of Andrew J. Peters and Mayor Nichols as an "old-time, shop-worn shell game" which will not deceive the people of the city. He stated:

"Mr. Curley in his Saturday night radio address stated that the reason the tax rate was increased \$5 a thousand, the largest in Boston's history, by Mayor Peters and Mayor Nichols, following his two administrations at City Hall, was because these Mayors were inexperienced in public affairs before becoming Mayor of Boston.

"Well, let's see," said Mr. Mansfield. "Records prove that before entering the Mayor's office, Andrew J. Peters was a member of the House of Representatives, a State Senator, a member of Congress, Assistant Secretary of the United States Treasury and the man who organized the war risk insurance bureau, which handled millions of dollars.

"Mayor Curley, however, says Mr. Peters was inexperienced. The late President Woodrow Wilson does not agree with Mr. Curley, for when Mr. Peters tendered his resignation, President Wilson wrote him as follows:

### Wilson's Tribute

"It is with genuine regret that I learned that you felt it necessary to resign your post as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. I shall not only look back with appreciation of the service you have rendered, upon my association with you in public life, but shall indulge the confident hope that we may again in some way be associated."

"Malcolm E. Nichols, present Mayor, whom Mr. Curley says also was inexperienced because his first official act was to raise the tax rate \$5 per \$1000 to carry on the city's business, before entering the Mayor's office was the correspondent of the Boston Post at City Hall and the State House for 12 years. He served as a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, State Senator, chairman of the Boston Housing Commission, chairman of the Boston Transit Commission and was the U. S. Collector of internal revenue for the State of Massachusetts.

"When chairman of the Senate committee on taxation, he was regarded as a pioneer in budget making for the relief of tax burdens.

"Mr. Curley's frantic attempts to throw dust in the eyes of the people of Boston and hide behind a batch of figures which are meaningless, will not deceive the people this time, for they are wise to his old-time, shop-worn shell game. The only reason that the tax rate was increased \$5 per \$1000, the greatest in Boston's history, after each of the Curley wasteful administrations, by both Mayor Peters and Mayor Nichols, was because Mr. Curley left the city of Boston bankrupt. No one knows this any better than the same Mr. Curley.

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Last night, Mr. Curley made public a letter he had received from Mr. Regan, secretary-treasurer of the City Employees' Union, inquiring about his attitude toward city laborers and mechanics. It said that a Boston paper (not the Boston Post) had quoted Mr. Curley, a week ago, as saying he would

reduce the city payrolls if elected Mayor.

In his answer, the former Mayor stated that the position taken by him in reference to city employees has never undergone any change during his terms in public office. He pointed out that the published statement had been denied in full, and that upon his initiative, legislation to end part-time day labor and to provide for permanency in employment for all city employees was enacted.

"The custom of discharging men when an administration changed because of either political activity or preference, was ended through the establishment, upon my initiative, of a pension system applying to every city employee," Mr. Curley stated.

### Position Well Known

"In a message to the City Council, delivered Feb. 4, 1924, my position with reference to city employees is fully set forth and should be read for the benefit of those who handle truth carelessly. My position is known to every impartial, unprejudiced, honest citizen and despite false statements in the press, later denied, or the whispers of paid propagandists, has suffered or will suffer no change.

"With a view to meeting all equitable requests submitted in the matter of salaries and hours of labor for persons in the employ of the city, my every effort was directed in the year 1923 to a consideration of those cases which appeared most meritorious, namely, employees receiving less than the maximum of \$1800 per annum. That the saving wage be stabilized, I included in the 1924 budget a sum sufficient to provide an increase of \$150 in the wages of all laborers and mechanics and an increase in the salaries of all persons receiving less than \$1800 per annum. These wage increases applied to 9000 employees, in addition to the adoption of the humane two-platoon system for men in the fire department. This represents the largest wage increase ever granted by any city.

"It has been my observation that the service rendered by the individual invariably is in proportion to the benefits enjoyed, and to the programme of economic justice in the matter of wage scale increases provided in 1924 may be traced the high order of efficiency upon the part of every person in the employ of the city of Boston."

# City Treasury 'Raid' Charged by Curley

## EX-MAYOR IN ATTACK ON BOTTOMLEY

Opposes a Permit for Filling  
Station at Hearing in  
City Hall

Intimation that the \$1,100,000 Center st. widening was put through for the benefit of private interests was made today at City Hall at a hearing before the street commissioners.

Former Mayor James M. Curley declared during a stormy session that a petition for a gasoline station at Weld pk., the Arborway and Center st., Jamaica Plain, the mouthpiece of the widening, was a "raid" being conducted by Robert J. Bottomley during the closing days of the Nichols administration.

Bottomley was once termed the "morning mayor of Boston" by former Governor Alvan T. Fuller.

Appearing as the representative of Cardinal O'Connell in opposition to the permit, Monsignor Richard J. Haberlin, permanent rector of St. Peter's Church, Dorchester, revealed for the first time his own narrow escape from death or serious injury in an automobile accident recently.

### PRIEST ESCAPES DEATH

The accident happened at the junction proposed as a site for the gasoline station, he said. His car was in collision with an Elevated truck and tipped over.

Had it not been that his car was of a heavy type, he might have been killed, Monsignor Haberlin told the street commissioners, emphasizing the dangers of the location.

Petition for the filling station and permit to store 3000 gallons of gasoline was brought in the name of Carrie Stone Murray. Attorney E. H. Thompson appeared for the petitioner. The \$1,100,000 widening of Center st. from the proposed site to South st., was approved by Mayor Nichols and the

City Council and a loan order recently passed to defray the expenses.

"I am astounded at the audacity of the owner and petitioner to ask for a commercial enterprise bordering on Boston's park system," former Mayor Curley began.

"I wonder if the \$1,100,000 Center st. widening is being put through for the benefit of those interested in the gasoline station."

Turning to Atty. Thompson, he asked: "What interest has Mr. Bottomley in this proposition?"

"I do not know," counsel for the petitioner replied.

"You don't know?" persisted the former mayor. "Everybody else does!"

### BRANDS MOVE A "RAID."

"I am firmly convinced that the time has almost arrived for the prohibition of such enterprises along Boston's park system for the protection of our public parks.

"Mr. Bottomley and other gentlemen want this petition to go through. They are not interested in the beauty of the park system nor in the safety of the public. It is simply a raid taking place during the last days of the administration."

To the street commissioners, Curley said: "No doubt there will be pressure brought to bear upon you gentlemen. I know that under the circumstances presented today there is only one just conclusion to draw. Remember, gentlemen, that Mr. Nichols is still mayor of Boston—not Mr. Bottomley.

"I shall make a personal appeal to Mayor Nichols to prevent the petition from being granted. It is about time to stop raiders and promoters from seizing this location."

Monsignor Haberlin said the location is the most dangerous spot in Boston. The petitioners, he said, held commercialism above beauty of surroundings and human life.

TRAVELER 10/17/29

## CITY CAMPAIGN HITS ITS STRIDE

Three Candidates Swing  
Into Action—Mansfield  
Assails Curley

Red-hot campaigning may be expected in Boston's mayoralty race from now on.

Frederick W. Mansfield, one of the three candidates, continues to pour broadsides into the Curley camp, while Curley contents himself with calling attention to his record as mayor to answer charges by Mansfield. Neither Curley nor Mansfield have, so far, paid much, if any, attention to the candidacy of Daniel H. Coakley.

Mansfield opens his outdoor speaking campaign tonight with an address at a rally and reception to be given him in Central square, East Boston. In a speech before freight handlers at Wells Memorial building, he charged that Curley was attempting to "throw dust in the eyes of the people of Boston and hide behind a batch of figures which are meaningless."

Curley received the endorsement of the City Employees Union, local 149, at a meeting in Washington Hall, Washington street.

Following Curley's and Mansfield's radio addresses on Saturday night, Coakley said he had a canvass of 100 voters taken in Allston. He says that of the 61 who declared themselves, 24 were for Mansfield, 22 for Curley, and 15 for Coakley.



# 200 Battle Gasoline Station in Arborway

## Curley and Mgr. Haberlin Lead in Voicing Opposition—Ex-Mayor Suggests Bottomley Interested in Project

Former Mayor James M. Curley, Mgr. Richard J. Haberlin, representing Cardinal O'Connell, City Councilman Peter A. Murray and more than 200 residents of Jamaica Plain crowded the hearing room of the board of street commissioners today to protest the granting of a permit for the erection of a gasoline filling station at 3 Weld park, at the junction of the Arborway and Centre street, Jamaica Plain.

### "DANGEROUS LOCATION"

Mgr. Haberlin declared that it was a dangerous location, with a hospital nearby and a large number of homes, and that he himself was in an accident there when a truck tipped over a motor car in which he was riding.

Curley said that the Legislature had recently authorized the spending of \$1,000,000 for widening Centre street here, and that Mayor Nichols and the council had approved it. It was not logical

to wide in the street for the relief of traffic and for safety purposes, he declared, if a filling station were to be placed there with nine driveways running over the sidewalks.

He suggested an interest in the project by Robert J. Bottomley, former secretary of the Good Government Association, in the project and told the street commissioners to remember that Nichols is still mayor and not Bottomley.

### PARK DEPARTMENT PROTESTS

Atty. E. H. Thompson, representing the petitioner, Carrie Stone Murray, said that he did not know of any interest by Bottomley in the matter.

Councilman Murray said the petitioner is no relative of his and that he is positively opposed to the erection of the station.

Also in opposition was the Boston park department, of which William P. Long is chairman. The department declared that it is contrary to statute law and to the rules of the park department to have a commercial entrance on a parkway.

At the close of the hearing the commission took the matter under advisement.

## CURLEY TO TAKE CASE TO MAYOR

### Sees Parks' Beauty in Peril at Gas Station Hearing

Declaring that it was time to stop raiders and promoters from seizing locations that would mar the beauty of the Boston park system and become a menace to both life and limb, Ex-Mayor James M. Curley said this noon that he would make a personal appeal to Mayor Nichols to prevent the establishing a gasoline station at the junction of Weld Park, the Arborway and Center st, Jamaica Plain.

The ex-Mayor was speaking before the Board of Street Commissioners in City Hall Annex, at a public hearing on the petition of Carrie Stone Murray for a gasoline filling station and storage of 3000 gallons of gasoline at the location mentioned above. The hearing registered considerable protest, led by the former Mayor and City Councilor Peter A. Murray of Ward 19, both being residents of the district.

Thomas J. Hurley, chairman of the street commissioners, announced at the close of the hearing early this afternoon that the board would take the matter under advisement.

The petitioner was represented by E. H. Thompson, who told the commissioners that the petitioner intended to erect a filling station that would not be of the ordinary type, but rather one that would be in keeping with the high-grade surroundings.

### Street Widening Cited

Mayor Nichols only recently approved the widening of Center st, which, coupled with the St Ann-st widening project, will cost the city in the vicinity of \$1,100,000. The improvement is now under deliberation by the City Council.

Ex-Mayor Curley, in voicing his opposition, declared that he was astounded that the owner and the petitioner would attempt to establish such a commercial enterprise bordering on the park system, and he wondered if the \$1,100,000 street widening was being put through for those interested in gasoline station propositions. Directing his remarks to the attorney for the petitioner, Ex-Mayor Curley inquired what interest Robert J. Bottomley had in the proposed filling sta-

tion project. "I do not know," replied the lawyer, and Mr Curley retorted with "Well, that's funny. About everybody else does."

Ex-Mayor Curley said he felt that the time had arrived when such enterprises should be prohibited from even bordering on the park system for the protection of the surroundings. Mr Curley declared that Mr Bottomley and other men are not interested in the beauty of our park system and the safety of the public. "I am astounded," said Mr Curley, "that the petitioner would even entertain the thought of presenting such a petition to this body. It is simply one of those raids that appear in the last days of an administration of our Municipal

Government. There is no way of justifying such a petition."

Turning to the Street Commissioners, Mr Curley said that no doubt pressure would be brought to bear, but in spite of that he felt that, in the light of circumstances presented at the hearing there was only one conclusion. Mr Curley in conclusion suggested that the commissioners remember that Mr Nichols was still Mayor of the city, and not Mr Bottomley.

Rt Rev Mgr Richard J. Haberlin, pastor of St Peter's Church in Dorchester, opposed the petition as representative of Cardinal O'Connell, declaring that the proposed station, with nine entrances or exists, would establish a critical point. The monsignor told the commissioners that there were hospitals and homes for the sick and aged in the neighborhood, and the lives of those visiting the latter would be placed in jeopardy by such a station. He said it looked as if some people put commercialism above human life and the beauty of the surroundings.

The Park Department went on record as opposed to the petition, and the department's representative said that the petition should not properly come before the Street Commissioners, in that the law forbade the establishment of any such enterprise at the entrance to a park reservation.

City Councilor Murray, the father of the Center and St Ann-st projects, also spoke in opposition, after declaring that he was not in any way related to the petitioner, although there was a similarity of names.

Christopher J. Mitchell presented a petition bearing the signatures of 200 residents of the section who are opposed to the granting of the petition.

### Curley Donates Cup

A silver cup donated by ex-Mayor James M. Curley will be presented to the young woman selected as "Miss Hyde Park," Friday evening, at the whist and dance in the Hyde Park Municipal Building, conducted by the Hyde Park A. A. Mr. Curley has promised to be present and make the presentation personally.

# "Nichols Still Boston's Mayor," Says Curley

## Announces He Will Ask Execu- tive to Block Weld Park Gas Station

Former Mayor James M. Curley told the board of street commissioners at a public hearing today "to remember that Mr. Nichols is still mayor of Boston, not Robert J. Bottomly" and he also declared that he would personally appeal to the mayor to prevent the granting of a petition to install a gas station for the storage of 3000 gallons of gasoline at No. 3 Weld Park, Jamaica Plain, at the junction of the Arborway, Weld Park and Center street. The latter thoroughfare is to be widened in a \$1,100,000 outlay provided for by State law and recently approved by Mayor Nichols and the City Council. The commissioners took the matter under advisement.

Attacking the petition, presented by Carrie Stone Murray, as "a raid that takes place during the last days of a municipal administration" the former mayor declared, Mr. Bottomly and other gentlemen want it to go through" and that he was "astounded at the audacity, at even the thought," of the petition being presented. Mr. Curley made this declaration to E. H. Thompson, representing the petitioner, who said the station would be of benefit to the community and that it was the intention to erect a structure in replica of the State House to be consonant with the beauty of the surroundings.

Opposition to the petition also was recorded by Monsignor Richard J. Haberlin, personal representative of Cardinal O'Connell, and permanent pastor of St. Peter's Church, Meeting House Hill, Dorchester.

Monsignor Haberlin said there would be nine entrances into the proposed gas station at one of the most dangerous spots in Boston, where, he pointed out, there are hospitals and homes and travel by hundreds of pedestrians going to and from the hospitals. He said that the "petitioner held commercialism above the beauty of the surroundings and apparently above human life." He told of a personal experience at the place, where, he recalled, a car in which he was riding was tipped over in collision with a truck. He declared he might have been killed if his car had not been a heavy one. He said the accident happened even though two policemen, with lanterns, were stationed there.

Opposition from the Park Department also was recorded, being based on the ground that the petition was contrary to State law and rules of the Park Department, which prohibit entrance by a commercial activity into the Park System.

Christopher J. Mitchell of Jamaica Plain presented a petition in opposition signed by 200 residents of that district.

City Councillor Peter A. Murray also opposed the petition and declared that he was related in no way to the petitioner. As a leading proponent of the Center street widening project, he said that the proposed gas station had no place near such an improvement.

"I wonder," said former Mayor Curley, "if the \$1,100,000 Center street widening is being put through for the benefit of those interested in the proposed gas station." Turning then to Mr. Thompson, counsel for the petitioner, Mr. Curley asked:

"What interest has Robert J. Bottomly in this petition?"

"I do not know," Mr. Thompson replied.

"You don't know?" continued Mr. Curley. "That's funny, everyone else does. I am firmly convinced that the time has almost arrived for the prohibition of such enterprises along Boston's park system, for the protection of our public parks. Mr. Bottomly and other gentlemen want it to go through. They are not interested in the beauty of the park system or in the safety of the public. I am astounded at the audacity, at even the thought, of the petitioner presenting such a request to this body."

"It is simply a raid that takes place during the last days of a municipal administration. No other individual is interested in this proposition. There is no way for you to justify this petition to place a gas station at the most dangerous part of Boston's park system. More lives have been lost at this junction of the roadway which is used more than any other part of the park system, than anywhere else."

Turning then to the street commissioners, Mr. Curley said: "No doubt pressure will be brought to bear upon you gentlemen. I know that, under the circumstances presented today, there is only one conclusion to make. Remember, gentlemen, Mr. Nichols is still mayor of Boston and not Mr. Bottomly. I shall make a personal appeal to Mayor Nichols to prevent this petition from being granted. It is about time to stop raiders and promoters from seizing this location."

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### Women's Democratic Headquarters

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**MRS. TANCERED FERRETTI**  
**HON. JOHN F. FITZGERALD**

YOU MUST BE REGISTERED TO VOTE FOR  
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22 PROVINCE STREET

MRS. COLIN MacDONALD, 1 New Heath St. MISS IDA FENDEL, 165 Columbia Rd.



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## RADIO SHOW OPENS TONIGHT

### Ex-Mayor Curley Will Do the Honors

Ex-Mayor James M. Curley will officially open the Radio Show tonight at 8 o'clock when he is presented to both the visible and invisible audience by Director Sheldon H. Fairbanks at the Ninth Annual Radio Exposition in Boston Garden and Exposition Hall.

More than \$3,000,000 worth of radio equipment will be displayed to the public of New England in the show this year which is nearly twice the value of the radio apparatus of a year ago. Every type of set will be displayed in every type of cabinet which may be desired. There is a set at the show this year for every taste and every purse.

Probably the feature of the evening will be the concert by Reinald Werrenrath, noted concert baritone and famed radio entertainer, who will be heard from the stage in the Garden. His selections will be broadcast over WNAC at 8 o'clock. Werrenrath, heard in many radio concerts and in the Sunday night concerts of the Atwater Kent hour, is appearing tonight through the courtesy of the Atwater Kent Manufacturing Company.

TRAVELER 10/7/29

## BIG RADIO SHOW OPEN AT GARDEN

### Exhibits Worth \$3,000,000 on Display—Curley Speaks Tonight

Molly Malone, announcer for station WBIS, will be at the Herald-Traveler booth tonight from 7:30 to 8 o'clock. Joseph Lopez, WNAC announcer, will be at the booth from 8 to 8:30, after announcing a program from the stage.

The doors of New England's greatest radio show were opened to the public at the Boston Garden and Exposition hall this afternoon.

A crowd of several thousand attended the opening, and even more are expected this evening, when former Mayor James M. Curley will officially open the exposition. He will be presented to the visible and invisible audiences by Sheldon H. Fairbanks, director of the show. The show will be open daily this week from 1 to 10:30 P. M.

The Radio show is the ninth held in this city and the oldest in the entire country. The two halls contain 250 booths, in which are represented the leading radio manufacturers of the country and practically every large dealer in Boston and New England.

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## BIG RADIO SHOW OPENS IN GARDEN

### Pronounced by Exhibitors To Be Most Complete Of the Season

### GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS WILL BE BROADCAST

All attendance records were broken for the opening day of the ninth annual radio exposition which opened last night at Boston Garden and Exposition hall for the remainder of the week. Thousands were in attendance last night to hear Reinald Werrenrath, noted concert baritone, in his only appearance at the radio show and to hear former Mayor James M. Curley officially open the show.

After a brief introduction by Director Sheldon Fairbanks, the former mayor addressed both the audience in the hall and the radio audience tuned to WNAC. This address was made during the Page & Shaw program, which was broadcast direct from the stage in Exposition hall.

With such a multitude of exhibits of more than ordinary interest, the thousands who attended the opening seemed to be well pleased with what they saw, from the latest in radio receivers to other radio apparatus, both old and new.

One of the features of the show in Exposition hall, the R. C. A. Pageant of Progress, attracted a multitude, who came and gazed with awe at many of the displays. The crackling roar of the Tesla coil, behind a protective screen, seemed to attract the crowds like a magnet. This coil, using 400,000 volts to energize it, is capable of throwing a spark over two feet long.

The 100,000 watt transmitting tube also came in for its share of attention along with the Theremin. This latter instrument is the newest in the radio field and makes use of radio principles to give a tone which is remarkable in its clarity. The Theremin will be displayed and demonstrated each day of the show.

Boston's ninth annual radio exposition dawned brighter and fairer than ever in its new home at Boston Garden yesterday. It is the most brilliant display of radio sets, apparatus and equipment ever assembled under one roof in any part of the country. The attendance at the opening session yesterday of more than 6000 persons indicates that Boston folk are interested in the newest developments in the infant radio industry.

Sheldon Fairbanks and Clarence King, the managers of the great exposition, have exceeded even their most exacting promises in presenting to Boston and Massachusetts people a radio show which needs take a back seat to none in the country for either excellence or extent. The total value of the radio stock on display exceeds \$3,000,000, and it is presented in a manner both artistic and readily accessible to the spectators.

The special attractions at the show, the radio artists, the "stunt" exhibitions and the other big drawing cards have been carefully thought out and as cleverly arranged so as to provide a maximum of entertainment for the show visitor and yet permit of ample time to view the many displays.

### Ex-Mayor Opens Show

The doors of the mammoth Garden and Exposition Hall, which, with their connecting arcade form in reality, one great room, were thrown open to the public at 1 o'clock yesterday, and from that time until the close of the show, 10:30 long lines of persons filed in endless procession through the mazes of the Garden halls.

Ex-Mayor James M. Curley formally opened the show last night with an address of welcome to the exhibitors and the show visitors. He spoke in part as follows:

"I am indeed grateful to the management of the Boston Garden and the Garden Exhibition Company for the honor and privilege accorded me of extending greetings to the exhibitors and friends of the Boston Radio Exposition. It is fitting that an exposition of this character, indicative as it is of the progress that is possible through American inventive genius, should be conducted in the city of Boston.

Boston has ever played an important part in every great movement for the welfare, comfort, happiness and progress of mankind.

RECORD 10/8/29

## O'Brien to Speak at Curley Rally

Former Dist. Atty. Thomas C. O'Brien will make his first public address in favor of the candidacy of Former Mayor James M. Curley for mayor at the noon-day rally at the Woman's Democratic Headquarters 19 Beacon st., on Thursday.

O'Brien four years ago was candidate for mayor and received the indorsement of the Good Government Association and his announcement favoring the former mayor at this time intensifies

interest in the approaching campaign.

RECORD 10/7/29

## Curley Endorsed by City Employees' Union

Former Mayor James M. Curley, in his race for his old office, was unanimously endorsed by the City Employees' Union, Local 149, at their meeting at 995 Washington st.

# RECITES CURLEY SALARY HISTORY

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Mansfield Draws Cheers at  
East Boston Open-  
Air Rally

## ASSAILS 'CANDIDATE OF THE CITY BOSSES'

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield opened up his mayoralty campaign against Coakley and Curley last night in his first open air rally in Central square, East Boston, where a crowd of several hundred men and women gave him an enthusiastic reception as he continued his broadsides against former Mayor Curley.

Accusing Curley of intimidating city employees who were not out working for his election and referring to him as the "betrayor of 'Teddy' Glynn," Mansfield informed his audience that the "Mr. Curley who said he would cut to the very bone the list of city laborers and other city employees when threatened with recall in his last administration, is the same Mr. Curley who now threatens the city employees with discharge and cutting of salaries if he is elected."

He was interrupted with cheers on several occasions when he sent home a particularly hot shot at the former mayor and as he pictured him dressed up in ermine robes with a crown of jewels on his head.

Introduced by former Representative Thomas Niland of East Boston as the one man in the city with the strength and integrity to "swamp" former Mayor Curley on Nov. 5, the former Representative predicted a Mansfield sweep in East Boston, where the former state treasurer was born and raised.

### SEES CURLEY DEFEAT

Mansfield was severe in his references to the "inhuman" treatment accorded city employees by the former mayor and recited many alleged specific instances to substantiate his charges. He promised four years of prosperity to all city employees, with freedom of political thought and action under him without pay slashing and an absence of a "reign of terror," which he predicted under Curley rule.

Mansfield spoke at length on the Curley record in holding public office and recited the sums of money both the former mayor and his brother John, as city treasurer, received from the city.

"The perennial candidate of the 'bosses' is done," Mansfield shouted amid cheers. "He was running for the old common council when I was enlisting in the navy during the Spanish war and was defeated, and he is running again for the office of mayor and will be defeated again."

### CURLEY AT HEARING

Mr. Curley again stole the limelight at a public hearing at City Hall for a gasoline station at the Arborway and Centre street, Jamaica Plain.

He declared that the petition was nothing more than a "raid" being conducted by Robert J. Bottomly during the closing days of the Nichols administration and expressed himself as "astounded at the audacity of the petitioner in asking for such a permit."

His slap at Bottomly, close friend of

Mayor Nichols and looked upon as one of his advisers, will more than likely, draw the mayor into the present fight and may result in the throwing of the Nichols strength behind Mansfield or Coakley. Bottomly was referred to by former Gov. Fuller during his controversy with Mayor Nichols as "the morning mayor of Boston."

Mr. Curley yesterday received a postcard from Elizabethtown, Ky., bringing the greetings of seven delegates to the American Legion convention at Louisville. The address was as follows: "Hon. James M. Curley, next mayor of Boston, Jamaicaaway, Boston, Mass." The card was signed by John J. Downey, Mary E. Downey, Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Walter, John R. Dewars, Joe Touney of Los Angeles and Clyde S. Williams of Nebraska.

### COAKLEY POLLING VOTERS

Mr. Coakley continued his poll of registered voters by blocks of 100 in the various sections of the city and last night announced returns of his canvassers in South Boston. Mansfield continued in the lead with 27 votes, Coakley ran second with 22, and Curley received 21. "I am disappointed in my own showing," Coakley said, "but do not feel that it is a fair estimate of my strength. I feel that it is due in great measure to the strong organization of Representative Bill Hickey of South Boston, who is with Mansfield in the present fight."

### MANSFIELD'S ADDRESS

Mr. Mansfield said in part:

"The mountain labored a long time and brought forth a wee, wee mouse." Mr. Curley said when I announced my candidacy.

He was referring to me and the wee mouse now stands before you leading the fight of the people to preserve their right to choose their own mayor, freely, and not to have the choice of the bosses rammed down their throats.

In this campaign, Mr. Curley, himself is the chief rammer and insists that the people must take him for mayor whether they want him or not, just as he attempted four years ago to ram down your throats his mannequin, his rubber stamp and his man of "great importance," Teddy Glynn, who was repudiated by 140,000 voters.

He couldn't make you swallow Teddy Glynn then, he can't make you swallow himself now. If Teddy Glynn had been elected who do you suppose would have been mayor. It wouldn't be Teddy Glynn. He would only be the little man who sits upon the ventriloquist's knee and makes faces while his master, Mr. Curley, pulled the strings.

The charter prevented him from running again, but through Glynn he intended to be mayor for those four years, and in 1929 to run for mayor again, and that's what he is doing now.

James M. Curley has already been mayor eight years, two years longer than any of Boston's other 38 mayors. James M. Curley for 20 years has hogged the mayoralty.

### SOME CURLEY SALARIES

Candidate against late Thomas J. Kenny, 1913, and was elected. Candidate against Andrew J. Peters, 1917, who defeated him. Candidate against John R. Murphy, 1921, and was elected for another four years.

The city charter was the only thing that prevented him being a candidate in 1925. Fire Commissioner Theodore Glynn was his candidate that year. Now, again in 1929, Curley is a candidate for mayor.

When James M. Curley was first elected mayor, he appointed his brother John Curley, city collector, at a salary of \$5000 yearly for four years amounting to \$20,000. When Curley became mayor the second time, he appointed brother John Curley again to the highest salaried position in his gift, city treasurer, at \$9000 a year, totaling \$36,000 for four years, with John Curley having drawn \$56,000 in salaries and James M. Curley having drawn \$80,000 as mayor.

Wage-earner Curley, who has been quoted in the Boston Globe as saying he would slash the pay of city employees, before leaving City Hall at the end of his second term, felt his great service to the city of Boston was not appreciated, and doubled the salary of incoming Mayor Malcolm E. Nichols to \$20,000 a year, because, as he publicly states, he is only on his vacation.

Now Wage-earner Curley is again asking for four years at \$20,000 a year (\$80,000 for four years) and an opportunity to also re-appoint brother John as city treasurer at \$9000 (\$36,000 for four years) making a grand total of \$252,000, over a quarter of a million dollars of the tax-payers' money as a result of James M. Curley holding this one office alone, while thousands of voters of Boston are unemployed.

### CURLEY'S OFFICE HOLDING

Besides having been mayor for eight years during the past 30 years, dating from 1898, Curley has held the following public offices:

In 1898, while I was serving in the Spanish war, Curley ran for the old common council and was defeated.

In 1900-1901, he served in common council, salary \$600 a year, total \$1200.

In 1902-1903, he served in Massachusetts Legislature, salary \$750, total \$1500.

Member of Boston board of aldermen 1904-5-6-7-8-9-10, salary \$1500 a year, total \$10,500.

Member of Congress 1911-1912-1913, at a salary of \$7500. Totalling another \$35,700 in salaries and 14 more years in office.

Curley, who now says he will reduce salaries, when elected mayor the first time attempted to hold both jobs, mayor and congressman, and was forced to resign from Congress by the Hon. James Mann, leader of the House of Representatives.

When defeated for mayor in 1917 Curley, forced to wait four years to again run for mayor, attempted in 1918 to get back in Congress, but was defeated by the late James A. Gallivan.

After being elected mayor for a second term of four years, Curley ran for Governor and was defeated by Alvan T. Fuller by over 150,000 votes.

### HARKS BACK TO 1912

I quote from the Boston Post of Saturday, Nov. 29, 1912. On that date when visited by a delegation from the Democratic city committee, comprising President Joseph A. Maynard, Chairman J. P. Clancy of the ward 15 Democratic committee, with John J. Hoar, chairman of ward 24 Democratic committee, requesting that Mr. Curley withdraw as a candidate for mayor in the interest of harmony and a united Democracy (of which we hear so much) and allow the then Mayor John F. Fitzgerald to be a candidate for mayor for another term. Mr.

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Curley told the delegation that their mission to the Tammany Club was distasteful to him and stated "that the people of Boston would not vote to keep any one in the mayor's office 10 years or even eight years."

President Maynard of the Democratic city committee declared that Curley could not talk much about office-holding records, without opening himself to similar criticism.

Although it would seem that I have not given much attention to Mr. Coakley's candidacy, this is by no means intentional, and I shall have more to say about him later, for from reports that have come to me in the past four days, it would seem to me that my real opponent is Mr. Coakley and not Mr. Curley.

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## EX-MAYOR CURLEY OPPOSES GAS STATION AT WELD PARK

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HERALD 10/8/29

## Mgr. Haberlin and Curley Protest Gasoline Station in the Arborway

The board of street commissioners took under advisement the petition of Carrie Stone Murray for a permit to erect a gasoline station at 3 Weld Park, at the junction of the Arborway and Centre street, Jamaica Plain, following a hearing yesterday at which Mgr. Richard J. Haberlin, representing Cardinal O'Connell, and former Mayor Curley, together with more than 200 other remonstrants appeared in opposition.

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## MANSFIELD ATTACKS 10/8 CAREER OF CURLEY

### In First Rally Rival Says He "Lives on Public"

### Returns to East Boston to Speak at First Outdoor Rally

Addressing himself for more than one hour to his old "friends and neighbors of East Boston," Frederick W. Mansfield, candidate for Mayor of Boston, officially opened his campaign with a well-attended rally in Central sq, East Boston, last night.

Mr Mansfield reviewed his public career, took up in detail the public life of Ex-Mayor James M. Curley, whom he bitterly attacked as a "professional politician," and explained his attitude toward the Good Government Association and home rule for Boston, and finally discussed his life in East Boston in days gone by.

There were several hundred persons in the crowd which greeted him. At the conclusion of the rally a bouquet was presented the candidate by the commander of Maj P. J. Grady Camp, U. S. W. V.

### Plans Rapid-Fire Campaign

Mr Mansfield indicated that he will conduct a rapid-fire campaign, sparing neither Ex-Mayor Curley nor those on the ex-Mayor's bandwagon. He accused the ex-Mayor of breaking pledges and deceiving the public and denounced the group of men in Boston political life who posed smilingly with the ex-Mayor at the latter's headquarters recently.

Only once in the long speech did Mr Mansfield make any reference to Daniel H. Coakley, the third candidate, and then only as he was naming the three candidates in the fight. In newspaper publicity sent the newspaper offices, however, Mr Mansfield was quoted as saying that he would have something to say about Mr Coakley later, "From reports that have come to me in the past four days, it would seem to me that my real opponent is Mr Coakley and not Mr Curley," the publicity said.

Mr Mansfield discussed frankly his indorsement by the Good Government Association. He denied that he was the candidate "of the Good Government Association," explaining that he stated his platform and the association indorsed it. He said he was proud to have the indorsement but that it did not involve any allegiance to the association inconsistent with his platform.

### Explains Home Rule Problem

Talking on "home rule for Boston," he said that present conditions had been deemed necessary because of Administrations in Boston in the past quarter-century which could not be trusted. He said that until Boston chooses Mayors and City Governments which can be trusted, restrictions on the city will be increased by the Legislature.

Mr Mansfield pictured his humble beginnings in East Boston. He accused Mr Curley of "living on the public" for 32 years and recited in detail the salaries paid Mr Curley during the years he held office.

The crowd was not unusually demonstrative, but it applauded the candidate warmly as he concluded his talk of one hour. Not very many waited to hear the presentation speech or to listen to the numerous candidates for Boston School Committee and City Council.

Representative Coffey of East Boston presided at the rally and Mr Mansfield was preceded by Dr Joseph P. Lyons of the Boston School Committee, who also made a bitter attack upon Ex-Mayor Curley and his record.

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# THOMAS C. O'BRIEN TO AID CURLEY

## Candidacy Endorsed by Former District Attorney

Former District-Attorney Thomas C. O'Brien, who was considered a potential mayoralty candidate to carry the banner of the Good Government Association against former Mayor Curley, last night endorsed the latter's candidacy.

### TO SPEAK FOR CURLEY

He confirmed the report that he will speak in behalf of the former Mayor at the noonday rally for women voters which will be held Thursday at 19 Beacon street, under the direction of Mrs. Colin W. Macdonald, first vice-chairman of the Democratic State committee.

It was only a few weeks ago that Mr. O'Brien stated publicly that he was seriously considering the demands of his friends to enter the fight and personally expressed the belief that he could win. His decision to throw his strength to the Curley candidacy created some surprise in political circles.

### Says Curley Last in So. Boston Poll

While the former Mayor was confining his public efforts last night to a "good will" address before the annual radio exposition throng at Boston Garden, former State Treasurer Mansfield was opening his outdoor campaign with an East Boston rally and Candidate Daniel H. Coakley was claiming second place in a mayoralty straw ballot which he reported he had made at South Boston, with Curley running last.

In his poll of 100 persons, he said that Mansfield got 27, himself 22 and Curley 21, while the others expressed no preference. He stated that the Mansfield strength in South Boston could be attributed to Representative William P. "Billie" Hickey, who is supporting the Good Government campaign against Curley.

### Warmly Receive Mansfield

Mansfield was presented to his former neighbors last night by former Representative Thomas A. Niland, who, in his introduction, predicted that the former Noddle Islander would "sweep East Boston" in the election of Nov. 5. He was given an enthusiastic reception.

The former State Treasurer reiterated his charges that former Mayor Curley has been intimidating city employees who refused to perform his campaign work, and repeated that Curley already

has had eight years as Mayor, insisting that "Curley has had enough."

He contended that Curley attempted to force "Teddy" Glynn "down the throats" of the voters four years ago in a futile attempt to continue his own reign at City Hall. As Curley's man "of great experience" Glynn was repudiated by 140,000 voters, Mansfield declared.

### Given Tremendous Ovation

He protested that Curley was not satisfied with \$80,000 which he received in salaries during his eight years as Mayor, but that he gave his brother, John, a job as city collector and later as city treasurer and that the latter collected \$56,000 in salaries.

Mansfield recalled Curley's public career, starting as a Common Councillor in 1898, Representative in 1902, Alderman in 1904, and Congressman in 1911, pointing out that he received \$35,700 in salaries during those 14 years in office. "Isn't that enough?" he asked.

The candidate was given a tremendous ovation by the crowd which filled the square and at times interrupted his speech with applause. At the conclusion of his address, he was presented with a bouquet of flowers by Commander Jerome Pettitt of the Major Grady Camp, United Spanish War Veterans, of which he is a member.

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## SAYS CURLEY HAS 'HOGGED' MAYORALTY

While former Mayor James M. Curley was delivering a non-political speech at the opening of the Radio Exposition in the Boston Garden last night, Frederick W. Mansfield, one of his opponents in the mayoralty race, was busily plying his campaign in East Boston.

Candidate Mansfield decried that "Curley for 20 years has hogged the mayoralty."

Former Mayor Curley referred not to politics, but said that what a mother is to her child Boston has been to liberty, and Boston having played an important part in every great movement it was fitting the radio show should be welcomed here.

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### TIME OFF TO VOTE

Just why city employees should be granted a half holiday on election day so that they may have plenty of time to vote is not quite clear. The rest of us manage to cast our ballots between six in the morning and eight at night, and if one in the employ of the city cannot get to the polls in that period, his labors must be more arduous and lengthy than is generally supposed.

Only comparatively recently, polling hours were extended from four o'clock in the afternoon to eight at night so that the workingman could vote. Councillor Sullivan states that the city employee is given an hour off to vote. Well, that is about 60 minutes more than most citizens are granted for the very same purpose.

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## EXTRA VOTING TIME FOR CITY WORKERS?

A half-holiday for city employees for the purpose of giving them plenty of time to cast their ballots in the city election on Nov. 5 was urged yesterday by City Councillor Frank B. Sullivan in an order referred to the executive committee.

He declared that the heads of departments take the time off to do election work, but that the ordinary employees are given only an hour to go to the polls in their home districts. Final decision in the matter will rest with Mayor Nichols when he returns from a short vacation trip with Mrs. Nichols.



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# HOUSANDS THROUGH BIG RADIO SHOW

## Werrenrath Thrills the Record-Breaking Night Crowd

Reinald Werrenrath, noted American concert baritone, thrilled a record breaking opening night attendance at the Ninth Annual Boston Radio Exposition at the Boston Garden, in two concerts, one from the Exposition hall stage and another later in the evening in the Garden. The stately songbird sang to a thronged gallery of appreciative spectators, announcing his own selections.

### ALL RECORDS SMASHED

Shortly before Mr. Werrenrath appeared at the Garden Sheldon H. Fairbanks, director of the Exposition, announced that unquestionably all attendance records for the opening day were smashed. Thousands of visitors flocked to the brilliantly decorated booths of over 250 exhibitors, inspecting 30 creations of radio manufacturers. Many exhibitors, following the practice of auto shows, were displaying stock of chassis mounted on revolving stands showing the sturdy construction of the receiver that is hidden from sight in beautiful cabinets.

All evening throngs gathered about the RCA Pageant of Progress exhibit, particularly the demonstration of the "ether wave" musical instrument, Theremin. The uncanny performance of this instrument, actuated by the simple and graceful movements of the hands of skilled pupils of Professor Theremin, held the spectators enthralled.

Following Mr. Werrenrath's concert at the Garden, Theremin was demonstrated from the grand stage by Alexandra Stepanoff and Zinaida Hanenfeldt, pupils of the inventor. By tremulous movements of these girls' right hands in the vicinity of the upright antenna, the pitch of a selection was emitted from a loudspeaker, while the left hands controlled the volume.

### Curley Opens Show

Former Mayor James M. Curley, introduced from the stage of Exposition Hall early in the evening, lauded Mr. Fairbanks, the director of all Boston radio shows, and wished him continued success. It gave Mr. Curley great pleasure to open the Ninth Radio Exposition, he said, in view of the fact that in 1921, as Mayor of Boston, he had the honor of addressing the visitors of the First Annual Radio Show.

An interested audience gathered about the impromptu studio on the stage in Exposition Hall to witness an actual broadcast over WNAC by Bill Ventre and his band. In the afternoon D'Zama Murielle and her Tercentenary Orchestra played from the same stage.

Visiting members of the radio industry and newspaper men were unanimous in the statement that Boston's own radio show shaded the big Radio World's Fair in New York city a week ago. Every entertainment exhibit and feature demonstration seen at the New York show was duplicated at the Garden. Gay bunting suspended from the high ceiling completely covered the steel archways to blend with the striking decorations of the individual booth. The gallery an hour before closing time resembled one of the Bruins' hockey games.

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## THOUSANDS AT OPENING OF RADIO SHOW

Boston's \$3,000,000 Radio Show at Boston Garden was officially opened yesterday by ex-Mayor James M. Curley.

Thousands attended the show, which is the ninth held in this city and the oldest show in the country. All sorts of radio sets and accessories are on display, and in addition various radio entertainers will personally appear.

Reinald Werrenrath, famous concert singer, was the star at the show last night, and similar stars will make their appearances each evening.

Last night's attractions also included a demonstration of television by the Shortwave and Television Laboratories of Boston. The Theremin "ether wave," a musical instrument that is played without being touched by the performer, was another feature.

Early models of the Edison phonograph, the incandescent lamp and many other working models are on display.

The R. C. A. "Pageant of Progress," showing present day uses of radio in all forms, proved a popular feature.

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## CURLEY HINTS SCANDAL AT 'GAS' HEARING

A stiff battle of more than 20 residents of Jamaica Plain to prevent erection of a gasoline filling station at the junction of the Arborway and Center st. was featured yesterday at the City Hall by the intimation of former Mayor James M. Curley that the \$1,100,000 Center st. widening had been put through for the benefit of private interests.

The petition for the gasoline station, Curley declared, was a "raid" being conducted by Robert J. Bottomley during the closing days of the Nichols administration. Bottomley was once termed the "morning mayor" of Boston by former Gov. Fuller.

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# BOTTOMLY UNDER FIRE OF CURLEY

## Says He Backs Centre Street Widening for Filling Station

Intimating that Robert J. Bottomly, former secretary of the Good Government Association, was the power behind the \$1,100,000 Centre street widening for the purpose of promoting a gasoline filling station at the junction of the Arborway, former Mayor Curley stated yesterday that he would appeal to Mayor Nichols to reject the application for a permit to store 3000 gallons of gasoline at the proposed station.

### "NICHOLS STILL MAYOR"

The former Mayor's protest was voiced yesterday at a public hearing before the Board of Street Commissioners when he was accompanied by 200 other remonstrants including Monsignor Richard J. Haberman, personal representative of Cardinal O'Connell; Chairman William F. Long of the Park Commission, and City Councillor Peter A. Murray. At the conclusion of the hearing the street commission took the matter under advisement.

"I am astonished at the audacity of the owner and petitioner to ask for a commercial enterprise bordering on Boston's park system," Curley said.

Appearing as representative of Cardinal O'Connell in opposition to the permit, Monsignor Richard J. Haberman, permanent rector of St. Peter's church, Dorchester, revealed that he himself had a narrow escape from death or serious injury in an auto accident recently.

Emphasizing the dangers of the location, Monsignor Haberman told how his car was in collision with an elevated truck at the junction proposed as a site for the gasoline station.

# CALLS FOR WOMEN TO REGISTER

10/9  
Ex-Mayor Fitzgerald  
Also Takes Rap at  
G. G. A.

A demand upon the women of Boston to register so that they may assist in the election of former Mayor Curley and later elect a Democratic Governor and a Democratic Senator was made by former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald yesterday in an address at the Democratic Women's headquarters at 19 Beacon street.

## HALL JAMMED

The hall, which was formerly used as the grill room of the Hotel Bellevue, was filled to capacity by several hundred women, while scores of men crowded the doorways and climbed up on the windows to hear the former Mayor.

He protested that in Boston only three out of eight eligible women register as voters, while in the city of Newton every three out of five women are registered voters. The women of the city hold the balance of power, he said, pleading with them to perform their civic duty by going to the polls.

Attacking the Good Government As-

sociation, former Mayor Fitzgerald declared that the City Hall Annex building, erected during his administration, was a disgrace, because the reformers hampered his efforts to construct a monumental structure which would at the same time provide sufficient space for the growing departments.

## Seek Domination

"Just as they are now butting in for the intended purpose of electing a candidate whom they can dominate," said the former Mayor, "they carried on their hampering tactics in my days at City Hall. They would not let me buy granite from home quarries to put up a real annex, but made me get cheap brick from Indiana."

He was followed on the platform by Dr. Joseph Santosuosso, past exalted ruler of the Elks, who directed his attack upon the Good Government Association's endorsement of Candidate Mansfield.

Referring to Candidate Mansfield's promise to obtain the return of home rule for Boston, Dr. Santosuosso stated, "Here comes the great genius who is going to wipe out laws which were put on the statute books long before he had the right to vote."

"The Good Government candidate was running around in knee breeches when the Legislature, 38 years ago, placed in the hands of the Governor the authority to appoint Boston's police commissioner and the licensing board, as well as other laws against home rule. Now, by the wave of his hand, this new candidate is going to change all this."

Other speakers at the Curley rally were: Dr. Helen I. Doherty, Mrs. Daniel Carmody, and Mrs. Tancered Ferretti. Former Congressman Joseph F. O'Connell will speak at today's rally, and former District Attorney O'Brien will address the group tomorrow.

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Frank A. Goodwin was born on Oct. 20, 1874, in Quebec, Canada, where his parents happened to be temporarily. Shortly after his birth his parents, Wilbur and Frances Goodwin, returned to East Boston, where he lived until a few years ago. He was educated at the Emerson grammar school, East Boston high school and Exeter Academy. He graduated from Boston University law

school in 1899 and was admitted to the Suffolk county bar that year.

He practised law from that time until 1914 when he was appointed a member of the Boston street commission by then Mayor James M. Curley, remaining there until his removal in 1918 by then Mayor Andrew J. Peters. On March 1, 1920, he was appointed state registrar of motor vehicles, a position left vacant by a reorganization of state departments, by John N. Cole, public works commissioner. It was a surprising appointment.

From that moment on Goodwin was in the limelight. He started campaigns against "drunken drivers" which aroused the state, and within a few years he had become involved with judges over their decisions in such cases. He also criticized several state departments. In February, 1928, he became involved in a controversy with then Gov. Fuller, which led to his removal by the late William F. Williams, then commissioner of public works. Since that time he has been connected with the Elcar Motor Company of New York, and has also taken up legal practice once more. He has been a staunch advocate of a state compulsory insurance fund.

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10/9 BY ROBERT T. BRADY  
One of the biggest political surprises of the year is due today, when Governor Allen is expected to depose John C. L. Dowling as chairman of the Boston Finance Commission. In State House and political circles yesterday it was understood that Frank A. Goodwin, former registrar of motor vehicles, would be named to succeed Dowling, but the names of Judge Joseph A. Sheehan, at present a member of the commission; Thomas A. Mullen and Richard M. Walsh were among those also mentioned as possibilities.

Official confirmation was lacking last night, but there appeared to be no doubt that Dowling would lose his political head and the belief was strong that Goodwin would get the place.

Opposition to Dowling has been strong since the investigation by the Finance Commission of the Exchange street widening proposition. In connection with that investigation Chairman Dowling went sharply after some of the most prominent citizens of this section. There were rumors at that time that attempts were made to have Dowling "called off," but the Governor refused to interfere in any way with the progress of the inquiry.

## Fought Allen in Primaries

Within the past few weeks friends of Dowling have been hard at work securing endorsements of his service, first as secretary of the commission and later, by appointment of former Governor Fuller, as its chairman. Associates of Dowling have conferred with Governor Allen during the past few weeks in an effort to save his political head.

The probable naming of Goodwin will furnish the big end of the surprise today, however. The former registrar of motor vehicles, removed from office by Alvan T. Fuller after a somewhat acrimonious controversy, was a candidate for Governor against Governor Allen in the primaries last fall. There was considerable feeling during the campaign between friends of the two opponents, but before the election campaign was well under way Goodwin announced his support of Allen for Governor.

## No Deal or Suggested Deal

It was said at the time that there was no agreement between the two men as to what might happen during the Allen administration—no promise or pledge of favors to be extended to the vanquished by the victor in the Republican primary and afterwards in the election. There has been no evidence of any deal or suggested deal at any time between the two.

Within the past few weeks, however, coincident with the talk of increasing opposition to Dowling, there has been a strong suggestion that Goodwin, recognized as an aggressive official in all of the city and State positions which he has held, and one of the men believed to have a large individual influence throughout the State, would be called into the public service again by Governor Allen.

The probable new chairman of the Finance Commission has a thorough and practical knowledge of Boston and Boston politicians. He served for years in various capacities in city positions and has shown a disposition on more than one occasion to "kick over the traces" in matters political. Although always a Republican in State and national campaigns, he was one of the backers of James M. Curley in his earlier successes in mayoralty contests and served as street commissioner during one of the Curley ad-

## FITZGERALD URGES 10/9 WOMEN TO REGISTER

John F. Fitzgerald addressed a meeting at the Democratic headquarters of ward 17, 503 Washington street, Dorchester, last night on registration. He urged women especially to register and said that they are the ones who complain frequently about the collection of garbage and ashes yet many of them do not vote.

Atty. John W. Newman presided. Other speakers included Carl Sottele, secretary of the Democratic city committee, and Frank McDonough, candidate for the city council from ward 17.

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# INSISTS BOSSES BETRAY CURLEY

Mansfield Says They May  
Talk and Sing but Will  
Not Vote That Way

## FITZGERALD SPEAKS TO CURLEY WOMEN

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield last night carried his fight against former Mayor Curley and Daniel H. Coakley into Hyde Park and South Boston where he continued his bombardment against the former mayor and his "cohorts of alleged political bosses" before audiences that crowded the municipal buildings in both sections.

Local candidates for the city council and candidates for the two vacancies on the school committee also spoke to the large crowds that appeared anxious to get their first taste of what gives indications of being one of the most torrid campaigns in recent years.

Informing the voters that "alleged political bosses who have climbed on the Curley bandwagon are really waiting to knife Mr. Curley for the insults and abuse he hurled at them in the past," Mansfield brought cheers from the crowds when he declared "they may pose with you now, Mr. Curley, they may sing for you and talk for you now, but on election day they will cast their ballots against you."

The allusion to those "who may sing for you now" was looked upon as a direct slap at former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald who sang "Sweet Adeline" at a meeting of women campaign workers in the Curley cause at their headquarters at 19 Beacon street yesterday.

"Curley has all the political bosses in the same basket," shouted Mansfield, "and those same political eggs will be smashed by the people on the day of Nov. 5 when Curley, who has never won a political office in his career except by a close margin, will receive the beating of his career."

### THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Dr. Joseph V. Lyons, member of the school committee, took Curley severely to task when he informed the people at both rallies that in spite of a mysterious telephone call received by him last Saturday night, he refused to "sell out to Curley and his bosses." He declared that Curley had already placed the stamp of his approval on two of the present school committee candidates and hoped if elected to have control of a majority of the board.

State Senators William I. Hennessey and William P. Hickey spoke at both Hyde Park and South Boston and predicted a Mansfield victory, after asserting that the younger voters of the city would never have a chance to aspire to the office of mayor if Curley was elected.

### COAKLEY'S CANVASS

Curley took the lead in Charlestown in the poll of a block of 150 registered voters of that section being taken by Daniel H. Coakley. Curley received 33 votes, Mansfield 28 and Coakley 24.

Twenty-nine were not located and 36 refused to state their choice for mayor.

"The large number in this ward who refused to declare their preference," Coakley said last night, "is due to the fact that two strong political organizations have as yet not formally decided which of the three candidates they will support on election day."

Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald was the principal speaker at a rally yesterday at noon in the Curley women's campaign headquarters. He urged all those present to talk Curley 24 hours a day and referred to the membership of the Good Government Association as "hamperers" of municipal government. He obliged the demands and sang his favorite song.

Dr. Joseph Santusuosso called Mansfield a "flat tire" and spoke of him as "the great genius who is going to wipe out the laws that we had on our statute books long before he had a right to vote."

It was reported last night that Curley had arranged a luncheon at the City Club today at which he will speak to a large crowd. It is understood that invitations had also been sent by him to candidates running for other offices, including the school committee and city council.

Former Dist. Atty. Thomas C. O'Brien will be the main speaker at the women's rally at the Curley headquarters at 19 Beacon street at noon today. He will state his reasons for indorsing the former mayor and will urge registration work.

### MANSFIELD'S SPEECH

Speaking at the Hyde Park and South Boston rallies, Mr. Mansfield said, in part:

What has become of the dictatorial Mr. Curley who billboarded and placarded metropolitan Boston with his impudent "Boston Needs Curley"? He remains as silent as the tomb since I asked him over the radio last Saturday night to tell the people of Boston about the five-cent fare and his sacred pledge to resign the office of mayor if he did not procure it for the car riders.

What has become of his egotistical assertions that there is no need of holding an election, that the contest has already been decided and that the only thing lacking is the ceremonial exercises inducting him into office on Jan. 1?

Perhaps this political bully who has been running rampant has awakened to the fact that the people of the city have already decided that he has had enough. If he hasn't, the awakening will be the more startling to him on the morning of Nov. 6 when the people will have repudiated him and his "bosses."

It is evident to every one that Mr. Curley is rapidly losing ground and now it looks as though my real antagonist in this campaign is likely to be Mr. Coakley. Mr. Curley senses defeat. He is making frantic efforts to stem the rising tide of Mansfield sentiment. His hour has struck.

### "DISSENSION IN CAMP"

Persons who are well informed say there is dissension in his own camp. I don't see how he could expect anything else but dissension. No one knows better than Mr. Curley himself that each one of the alleged "bosses" who jumped aboard his bandwagon is a mortal enemy of his, and every one knows that he

despises each one of them. How he expects these men to forget their hatred of him and the savage and abusive things he said and did to them in order to build him up and make him the most powerful man in Boston politics, passes understanding.

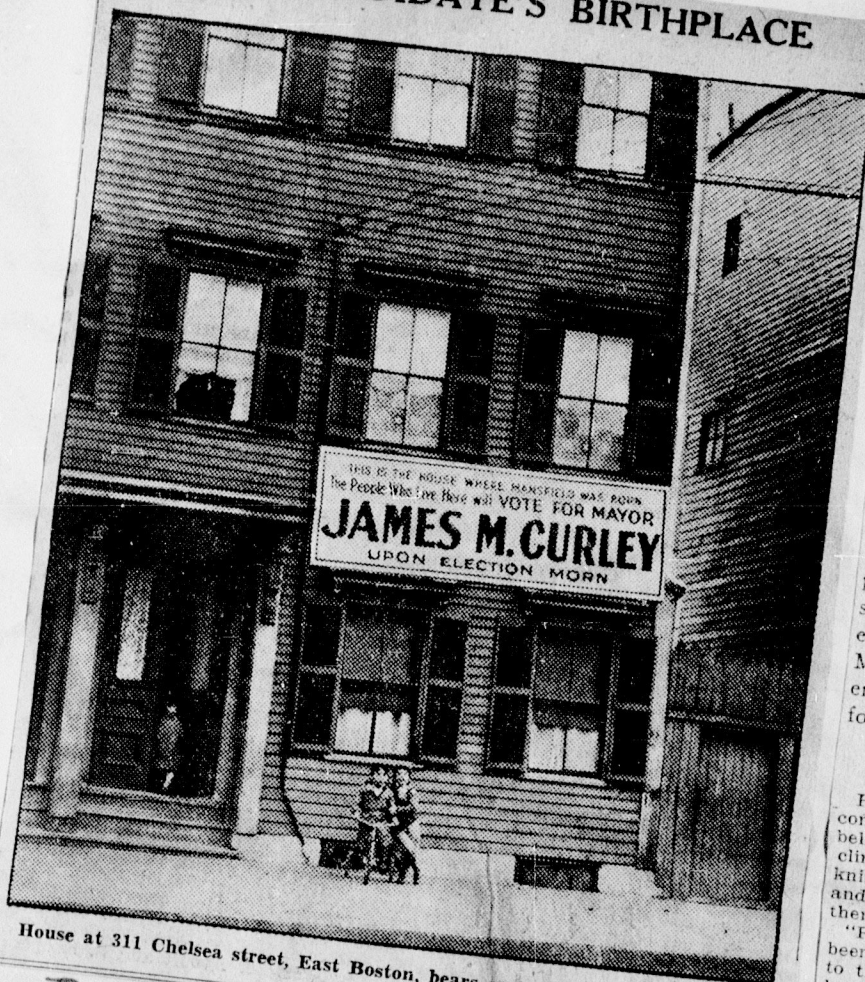
They have brought no strength to his cause. If they have any followers left they will not be delivered over to Mr. Curley, even if those alleged "bosses" have swallowed the insults that Mr. Curley has been heaping on them for years. They have not even brought over their own votes, because, while they may talk for him, pose with him and sing for him now, not one of them will vote for him.

Mr. Curley has had enough experience in politics to know that these alleged "bosses" who have always been against him before, and who pretend to be with him now, are going to knife him at the polls. They and their very families will throw him down. Insults and abuse of the variety handed out by him, cut deep and time will not heal them. Those men have not forgotten them.

I am the only candidate that has presented a platform to the citizens and neither of my opponents has found anything in it to criticize. Mr. Coakley has never been mayor of Boston and his political program, if he should be elected, is unknown. If, and when Mr. Coakley presents a platform to the people, I shall have something to say about his candidacy.

Tomorrow night, I will expose Mr. Curley to the citizens of Charlestown, when I speak in the ward 2 ward rooms, at Bunker Hill and Lexington streets. His battle is lost. The citizens of the city and not the alleged "bosses" shall decide this election.

HERALD 10/9/29  
ONE CANDIDATE'S BIRTHPLACE



House at 311 Chelsea street, East Boston, bears an unusual political placard.

RECORD 10/9/29  
"Bosses" Quitting  
Curley, Says Foe

Bitter broadsides against James M. Curley, whom he termed a "political bully," were fired into the mayoralty campaign by Frederick W. Mansfield last night. Curley sent forth a letter from Neil A. Clark, grand regent of the Royal Arcanum Grand Council of Massachusetts, telling him that the 1929 convention of that association is coming to Boston, and asserting that it is his hope that he receives Curley as mayor. Mansfield charges that there is already "dissension" in the Curley camp with the "bosses" falling away from him.

HERALD 10/9/29  
Coakley Challenges  
Curley to Debate

Daniel H. Coakley, in his campaign for mayor of Boston, said yesterday that he will challenge former Mayor Curley to meet him in a public debate in the Boston Garden. Mr. Coakley intends to be the first candidate for office to use the Garden for political purposes. He was rather sanguine when asked what he thought the chances were of Curley accepting his challenge.

GLOBE 10/9/29  
MANSFIELD CONTINUES  
10/9 ATTACK UPON CURLEY

Frederick W. Mansfield, candidate for Mayor of Boston, continued his attack upon Ex-Mayor James M. Curley in rallies in Hyde Park and South Boston last night. Mr. Mansfield again asked Mr. Curley to talk about his alleged promise of a five-cent fare for Boston and charged that there is dissension in the Curley camp. He denounced the alleged "bosses" who jumped aboard the Curley band wagon, declaring that not even they, themselves, will vote for him.

He said he was the only candidate who has presented a platform to the citizens and that neither of his opponents has found anything in it to criticize. He said that he will wait until Mr. Coakley presents a platform before he criticizes his candidacy. He said that tonight he will expose Mr. Curley to the citizens of Charlestown when he speaks in Ward 2 rooms at Bunker Hill and Lexington sts.

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CURLEY IS  
SLIPPING

Mansfield Says the  
People See He's  
Had Enough

Speaking before large audiences at the Hyde Park and South Boston municipal building last night at surprise rallies staged by some of his supporters at the last moment, Frederick W. Mansfield, candidate for Mayor, with the Good Government endorsement, attacked the silence of former Mayor Curley.

"KNIFING AT POLLS"

He charged that his opponent has come to the realization of the alleged belief that the "bosses" who have climbed aboard his bandwagon will knife him at the polls for the insults and abuse which he has heaped upon them in the past.

"Perhaps this political bully who has been running rampant has awakened to the fact that the people of the city have already decided that he has had enough," stated Mansfield. "What has become of the dictatorial Mr. Curley who billboarded and placarded Metropolitan Boston with his impudent 'Boston Needs Curley'?" asked Mansfield. "He remains as silent as the tomb since I asked him over the radio Saturday night to tell the people about the five-cent fare and his sacred pledge to resign the office of Mayor if he did not secure it for the car riders. What has become of his egotistical assertions that there is no need of holding an election?"

Responding to his own question, Mansfield stated that Curley was losing ground and that it looked as if Coakley were to be the real antagonist in the Mansfield campaign.

Coakley's Straw Vote

Candidate Daniel H. Coakley issued a report of a straw ballot, revealing that a canvass of 150 Charlestown voters had placed Curley in the lead with 33 votes, Mansfield in second place with 28 votes, and himself trailing with 24 votes. In this canvass, he stated that 29 registered voters could not be found to express their opinions and 36 others refused to give voice to a preference.

Former Mayor Curley confined his night's activities to "good will" addresses before large banquet gatherings at Back Bay hotels. He continued to ignore the attacks of the other two candidates in the mayoralty lists. At the South Boston rally, where Mansfield appeared as the leading speaker, Dr. Joseph V. Lyons of the school committee charged that Curley has endorsed two of the 12 candidates in an effort to gain control of the School Board during the next four years. Mansfield picked up this attack and declared that a candidate for Mayor should not endorse candidates for other offices on the ticket. He stated that he was supporting no other candidates for minor offices who will come up for election Nov. 5.



Labor for good government in our large cities is one of the most thankless tasks that a man can undertake. It can not be doubted that an overwhelming majority of our voters are in favor of honesty in municipal government, and yet they elect to public office men with court records, and ridicule the efforts of those who strive to awaken civic pride in our citizens.

In a business organization an officer whose efforts bring a saving of hundreds of thousands and possibly millions of dollars is held in the highest esteem, and he is rewarded with a big salary, but no such appreciation of good work in behalf of the tax payers is manifested by our citizens.

An organization formed for the purpose of aiding in the nomination and election of men of integrity and experience to municipal offices should have the hearty co-operation of honest men and women, but it is difficult for such an organization to raise the very modest sum needed for office expenses and publicity in a city election, while the crooked candidates always seem to have all the money they need for campaign expenses.

The Good Government Association of Boston exists for the purpose of serving the cause of good municipal government in Boston, and one of its chief functions is in furnishing the voters with information about the various candidates for office before the city elections. A truthful statement of the record of each candidate as prepared and published by this association furnishes material to enable voters to select honest and intelligent men when marking their ballots, and yet the number of citizens that donate any money for conducting this work is a fraction of one per cent of the registered voters.

The executive committee of men and women receive no remuneration for their work for good government, but when subjected to abuse and ridicule by municipal grafters they receive little praise even from their friends.

A prominent politician of Boston used to say that politics had made him a pessimist. He found that in politics more than in ordinary matters men are ruled by selfishness, and that a man will do more to injure a political enemy than to serve a friend.

## COAKLEY WOULD DEBATE CURLEY

Wants to Hold Session  
in Garden—Mansfield  
Workers Hustling

Boston's three candidates for the office of mayor continue to wage battle, each against the other, with the exception that Frederick W. Mansfield and Daniel H. Coakley are directing their particular efforts against former Mayor James M. Curley.

Mansfield addressed large numbers of voters at Hyde Park and South Boston. Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald addressed the women voters at the noon-day rally at the Curley women's headquarters at Hotel Bellevue. Fitzgerald also entertained the women by singing "Sweet Adeline," the song he made popular in these parts.

### COAKLEY WOULD DEBATE

Coakley declared he will challenge Curley to a joint debate, to take place in the Boston Garden. He is sanguine that Curley will accept. If the two get together in an open debate the Garden would have to be three times as large as it is to accommodate the throng that would want to be in on the hot stuff that would be "pulled" by both candidates.

Coakley's poll of votes in Charlestown showed Curley in the lead with 33. Mansfield received 28 and Coakley 24. Mansfield, in his addresses, said that "Alleged political bosses who have climbed on the Curley bandwagon are really waiting to knife Mr. Curley for the insults and abuse he hurled at them in the past."

### PREDICTS DEFEAT

"Curley has all the political bosses in the same basket," he added, "and those same political eggs will be smashed by the people on the day of Nov. 5, when Curley, who has never won a political office in his career except by a close margin, will receive the beating of his career."

Candidates for other city officials also spoke at the Mansfield rallies. It is understood that Curley is to give a luncheon at the City Club today, and that he will deliver an address before a large crowd.

The Curleyites are taking advantage of every political point in the race. There is a sign placed on the dwelling house at 311 Chelsea street, East Boston, bearing the inscription, "This is the house where Mansfield was born. The people who live here will vote for Mayor James M. Curley upon election morn."

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10/10  
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## Harmony Keynote

10/10 at Curley Meeting

Nearly 250 Democratic leaders and party workers, gathered at dinner in the City Club last night to cement their efforts in behalf of the mayoral candidacy of former Mayor James M. Curley, incidentally staged a "love feast" at which opponents who had not spoken to each other in nineteen years united in support of Curley and in a spirit of general harmony aiming at future Democratic success. The mayoral candidate himself warned his followers against the use of "villification, abuse, race, religion, or even Smith," in the contest for chief executive.

"No one ever lived," said Curley, "who got more enjoyment out of roasting a political opponent than myself, but I will endeavor to be charitable and to use self control, for with your help in this campaign I will roll up a majority of 70,000 votes."

Chairman Frank J. Donahue of the Democratic State Committee, pleading for a party majority of 100,000 votes in Boston to "elect a Democratic governor and another Democrat to sit in the United States Senate with David I. Walsh," announced his unqualified support of Curley for mayor.

Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald led the cheering for former congressman Joseph F. O'Connell, with the latter stating that neither had spoken to the other for nineteen years. With practically all the Democratic leaders of the city applauding their remarks, both spoke energetically in support of the Curley candidacy and the amalgamation of efforts to assure future Democratic success.

The Women's Better Government League of Boston, at a meeting late yesterday afternoon in Hotel Statler, unanimously voted endorsement of the Curley candidacy, on motion of Dr. Helen L. Doherty. There was an attendance of more than 100 members.

Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield, addressing a rally last night at Bunker

Hill and Lexington streets, charged that Curley failed to keep his campaign promise of 1921 when he told the voters he would build \$15,000,000 worth of houses for the poor in order to reduce high rents.

AMERICAN 10/11/29

## MANSFIELD TO SPEAK TONIGHT

Former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield announced today he would carry his fight against Curley and Coakley into the North End and Roxbury tonight.

He will speak at the Michael Angelo school in the North End and at the Comin's school, Roxbury Crossing, devoting considerable time to his platform regarding unemployment, city employees and contract awarding.

Headquarters of James M. Curley issued a letter from Porter Adams, well known aeronautical enthusiast, announcing his support of Curley's candidacy.

"I shall not only be happy personally to support you in every way, but to ask all sincere friends of aviation progress to do likewise," Adams wrote.

HERALD 10/11/29

## DONAHUE HITS AT MANSFIELD

10/11  
**Cites Mayoralty Candidate's Course as State Treasurer**

Frederick W. Mansfield and Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic state committee, addressed largely attended noonday rallies today, the former in his own behalf and the latter in behalf of former Mayor James W. Curley.

Donahue at the Curley rally at the women's headquarters at Hotel Bellevue answered Mansfield's assertion that under Curley city employees were subjected to a reign of terror, by saying that when Mansfield took office as state treasurer 15 years ago he cleaned out his office and discharged men and women employees who had worked there

for years. Donahue also reminded Mansfield that the men the candidate referred to as "political hacks" were the same men who elected him treasurer 15 years ago. The speaker also complimented Mayor Nichols for "the fine administration he has given the city."

Mansfield addressed a large number of his workers at 11 Beacon street. He declared that the progress of the city under the eight years of Curley rule was strangled by political methods. "If he is elected mayor," said he, "the city will go bankrupt."

Mansfield also said that "in the last year of Mr. Curley's last administration, with the tax rate \$2 higher than ever before in the history of the city, with a financial year of only 11 months and with the assessed valuation of property boosted to a new high level, Mr. Curley, nevertheless, left office with a deficit of \$1,339,726.76, the largest deficit since 1910."

GLOBE 10/11/29

## EX-DISTRICT ATTORNEY SPEAKS FOR CURLEY

10/11  
Ex-Dist Atty Thomas C. O'Brien of Suffolk County yesterday spoke at a noonday rally at the Women's Democratic headquarters at 19 Beacon st before 600 women, bringing them an appeal for aid in the campaign to elect James M. Curley as Mayor.

Declaring that Curley is a credit to democracy, not only in Boston but in the State as well, Mr O'Brien said, that electing him as chief magistrate would be a stepping stone to place the State House in the ranks of the Democratic party in 1930. The present work of registration, he declared, was vital to Democratic success.

Mrs Walter V. McCarthy of East Boston, leader of the Young Women's Curley Club of Noodle Island, said that every man favoring the election of Curley should at least place five new voters on the lists. Every woman could use the telephone and ring doorbells, she said.



HERALD 10/11/29

# MANSFIELD HITS 'LOOT SEEKERS'

10/11  
Coakley Analyzes "All-Star  
Cast of the Comedy  
'Friendly Enemies'"

## CURLEY AND O'BRIEN ADDRESS WOMEN

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Accusing former Mayor Curley of ordering his followers and supporters to make full use of "vilification, abuse, race, religion and Smith" in the present campaign instead of warning them against such tactics as he was reported to have done at the City Club Wednesday night, former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield last night carried his campaign into the South end, where he was enthusiastically received by an audience that filled the municipal building.

At the same time he questioned the sincerity of the alliance of Curley's "natural enemies" with the former mayor and insisted that the one reason they are on the Curley band wagon is "their hope to share in the loot."

"Judged by their performances in the past," Mansfield declared, "it is plain that what they really want is to get their hands on the \$100,000,000 which Boston will spend in the next four years. The \$16,000,000 East Boston tunnel is just an appetizer for them. Some of them hadn't spoken to each other for 19 years and after the votes are counted on Nov. 5 they won't be able to speak for 19 more."

### COAKLEY'S SARCASM

Calling a halt on his sectional poll of the city in the mayoral contest, Daniel H. Coakley, the third entry into the race for the School street chair, last night poked some fun at the former mayor and referred to the Curley dinner at the City Club on Wednesday night as "a delightful comedy entitled Friendly Enemies, with an all-star cast headed by James M. Curley and an able supporting cast including ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, ex-Congressman O'Connell, ex-Congressman McNary, ex-Lt.-Gov. Barry and ex-Dist. Atty. O'Brien, every man in the entire cast a certified member of the 'Ex Club.'"

Former Dist. Atty. Thomas C. O'Brien looked upon as a possible candidate up to a few weeks ago and prominently reported at that time as seeking the Good Government Association's endorsement, was the principal speaker at the noonday rally in the Curley women's headquarters at 19 Beacon street, yesterday.

The former district-attorney urged all present to work untiringly for the election of former Mayor Curley and predicted a sweeping victory for him. He also urged the women to work for registration.

The former mayor brought a laugh from the crowd of women when he informed them that he had learned from reliable sources that the campaign of

the Good Government Association was on the verge of collapse and that within a short time they would close up shop and disappear.

### WOMEN ARE SPEAKERS

Mrs. Walter V. McCarthy of East Boston, Mary Gallagher, Mrs. Helen Leonard and Elizabeth Needham were the other speakers. At today's rally, Chairman Frank J. Donahue of the Democratic state committee and Mrs. Charles Stack of Hyde Park will speak.

Two Mansfield rallies are scheduled for tonight, the first in the Michaelangelo school in the North end, where Jerome A. Petitti will preside, and the second in the Comins school at Roxbury Crossing, where Daniel McKenna will act as chairman. Other speakers besides Mansfield at the rallies will be Senator William I. Hennessey, Representative James Coffey, Representative William H. Hickey, Hugh Campbell, Thomas A. Lavelle and Dr. Lyons of the school committee.

### MANSFIELD'S SPEECH

Mr. Mansfield said in part last night:

The ex's and the axes had another harmony meeting at the City Club Wednesday night. They would have the people believe that they are inspired by a holy desire to preserve Boston for the Democratic party and to insure a Democratic victory in the state campaign of 1930.

The \$16,000,000 East Boston tunnel is just an appetizer for them. How the gang must lick its chops when they think of that plunk, but, alas, it is rapidly receding from their grasp. And then there is the 10-year garbage contract involving hundreds of thousands of dollars which expires in 1932. And in addition to that there is the Tercentenary celebration with all its opportunities for legitimate graft, as the boys say when they are picking the pockets of the people.

The meeting at the City Club Wednesday night and the meeting at the Parker House on Sept. 12, held by Mr. Curley and his alleged supporters were significant. The first was a meeting of the bosses of a by-gone age and the second a meeting of his alleged business friends. The bosses and the contractors at these two meetings were all "has-beens," most of whom began feeding at the public crib a generation ago.

HERALD 10/11/29

## Curley Curries Votes of Women with Mirrors

10/11  
The Curley campaign forces have begun to woo the women voters with gay mirrors as well as words. They began distribution yesterday of thousands of small mirrors, oblong in shape, with gayly colored backs all showing a picture of the former mayor and his slogan, "Boston Needs Curley."

RECORD 10/11/29

## O'BRIEN CALLS CURLEY CREDIT TO DEMOCRACY

10/11  
Harmony of the Democratic party have brought Boston, long a victim of petty politics, to the dawn of a new era, former Dist. Atty. Thomas C. O'Brien yesterday told 600 women at a rally in Women's Democratic headquarters at 19 Beacon st. in favor of former Mayor James M. Curley.

O'Brien said that after the "harmony dinner" in the City Club there is no doubt that Curley will sweep the city Nov. 5. He said that Curley is a credit to Democracy, to the city and state, and his election would be a stepping stone to placing the State House in the ranks of the Democratic party in 1930.

Former Mayor Curley later addressed the meeting and said his speakers had been instructed to refrain from indulging in personalities. "They must speak the truth," he said, "and no harsh, unjust or unfair attacks must be made on his opponent."

Miss Mary Gallagher, Mrs. Helen Leonard and Miss Elizabeth Needham also addressed the gathering.

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## Porter Adams Extends

10/11  
Support to Curley

Porter Adams, chairman of the Municipal Airboard and also of the executive committee of the National Aeronautic Association, has written a letter to former Mayor Curley assuring him support in his mayoral candidacy. The letter is as follows:

"This is just a note to tell you of my pleasure at your candidacy for mayor of Boston and to assure you, as a firm friend of aviation and as one who believes that Boston should lead the nation in aeronautic facilities, that I shall not only be happy personally to support you in every way but to ask all sincere friends of aviation progress to do likewise.

"I am still mindful of the help that you gave us at the time of the arrival of the world flight and of your constant willingness to help the airport along in any way you could, though at that time the city had no legal or moral obligation to do so.

"Now that the airport is a definite city project I believe that with your interest in air transport and in the national defense, it can and will under your administration become an active asset to every citizen of Boston."

# **MANSFIELD ATTACKS CURLEY ON HIS FUND**

10/11  
**Charges Rival Candidate  
Is Spending Half-Million  
Declares Political Plums Alone  
Have 'United' Foes Behind Ex-Mayor**

The charge that Ex-Mayor Curley has spent \$250,000 on his Mayoralty campaign thus far, and will have spent \$500,000 when the fight is over, was made last night by Frederick Mansfield at a large rally in the Ward 9 Municipal Building, Shawmut av and Brookline st, South End. A number of candidates for other offices spoke also, to a crowd which filled every seat and much of the standing room.

"I am not a wealthy man," Mansfield declared. "I can't match dollar for dollar with Curley. If this campaign is to be bought, then I am licked now. But I ask, with P. A. Collins, 'What is this, an election or an auction?' and I know that the people of Boston will turn the proper answer. And I also want the voters to wonder a little why a man can afford to spend that much money on a job that pays \$20,000 a year for the four-year term."

## **Denies Leaders Are United**

Mr Mansfield was scathing in his remarks about the Democratic leaders who attended the Curley "harmony" meeting Wednesday night at the City Club. "Why, these so-called old, worn out bosses all hate Curley, and Curley hates them, and they all hate each other. They haven't changed any in a few years ago Curley was saying unprintable things about them, and that they were describing Curley in terms not used in polite society."

"Do they think they can carry him any strength?" he continued. "Well, they can't. They won't even bring him their own votes."

"Why do we find all these natural enemies united for the first time in the history of the city? They want to get their hands on the \$100,000,000 which Boston will spend in the next four years. The \$16,000,000 East Boston tunnel is just an appetizer for them. And the 10-year garbage contract comes up again in 1932, to say nothing of the tercentenary celebration."

Mr Mansfield recited a purported history of Mr Curley's financial condition, and demanded that Curley tell the people what corporations or other interests he is connected with which do business with the city. He returned to the so-called "bosses" once more, and declared: "Now we have all these old eggs in one basket. Let's dump the basket once for all."

## **Sees Curley Sensing Defeat**

Mr Mansfield discussed the report that at the City Club meeting Curley

warned his workers against using vilification, abuse, race, religion or Smith. "The reason he had to do this," Mansfield declared, "is because these methods were being used by Curley workers, and he feared an unfavorable reaction to them. But was he sincere in asking these things be stopped? No, just more camouflage."

"The poison squad is at work. You may have received, or may yet receive, anonymous letters or telephone calls, making despicable charges against me. I say that the lowest depths of human degradation are reached by the writer of the anonymous letter, who doesn't give his victim a chance to fight back." Curley, according to Mansfield, already senses defeat.

"At the City Club, Mr Curley, surrounded by the old-timers and political hacks of a past era, assumed his old-time bulldozing tactics when he threatened some hundred candidates for the City Council with defeat if they oppose him. Seventeen out of the 100 were present. They took the lash lying down, but the majority of candidates for the Council, their friends, and the overwhelming majority of the people will strike back at the polls."

## **COAKLEY SAYS CURLEY IS TIED HAND AND FOOT**

Charging that ex-Mayor Curley had changed from "James the Garrulous" to "James the Silent," Daniel H. Coakley, candidate for Mayor, told a group of organization workers at his home in Brighton last night that he would have "Jim talking freely again."

Mr Coakley said: "I am convinced, after the poll that I took in several sections of the city and several polls that have since come in from my canvassers, that I shall be elected Mayor on Nov 5. I shall open headquarters in several sections of the city during the coming week but I have purposely deferred my opening rally until Monday, Oct 21, on which date I have engaged Symphony Hall. From that date until the end of the campaign the city of Boston will be alive with Coakley sentiment."

"This is the only three-man fight that has ever been held in Boston so far as I can recall. Mr Mansfield is tied down by his promises to the Good Government machine. Mr Curley is like Lemuel Gulliver, the well known traveler, whose adventures were depicted by Dean Swift. He has been tied hand and foot by the Lilliputians. It would seem that they have even put a bridle on a tongue that has in all former campaigns, been absolutely unbridled. He has changed from James the Garrulous to James the Silent, but Jim will be talking freely. Again Watch me unbridle the bridled. He instructs all his speakers to deal gently with his rivals in the contest for Mayor. Funny! Imagine John F. taking orders from Jimmie."

# **CURLEY BROKE WORD, SAYS MANSFIELD**

10/12  
**Ex-Mayor Is Attacked at  
North End Rally**

Frederick W. Mansfield, candidate for Mayor, addressed gatherings in the Michaelangelo School, Charter st, North End, and at Comin's School, Roxbury Crossing, last night, continuing his attack upon the pledges and record of Ex-Mayor James M. Curley.

Both rallies were well attended when the speaker of the evening arrived, but for a time there was a question whether or not the rally in the North End would be conducted. When Jerome Pettitt, presiding officer, started the meeting at the Michaelangelo School there were only a handful of people in the hall and he at once condemned the attitude of those who would not appear to listen to issues that were vital to them. After Mr Pettitt's remarks, a man in a long con audience arose and began a long conversation in Italian which threatened to disrupt the meeting entirely.

Dr Joseph V. Lyons, member of the Boston School Committee was then introduced and won applause as he told of the qualities and ability of Mr Mansfield. He attacked Ex-Mayor Curley on his past record.

When Mr Mansfield arrived there was a sizable gathering in the hall. He at once started his attack on Mr Curley, declaring that the ex-Mayor recently appeared at City Hall to protest vigorously against granting a permit for the building of a gasoline station in Jamaica Plain, his home district.

"There are two reasons why he opposed the granting of that permit," Mr Mansfield charged. "First, because he did not want a gasoline station in his own neighborhood and, second, because he is now a candidate for reelection for a third four-year term as Mayor."

"But he was a different Mr Curley when the question of erecting a garage on Mission Hill came before him for action. This garage was near the Mission Hill School. All of the residents of the district and the clergy protested most vigorously against the planting of a death trap so near the school which was frequented by hundreds of small children. Mayor Peters had refused to grant the permit. Mr Curley, when he was a candidate for reelection to his second four-year term, promised publicly that he would not grant the permit. But as soon as the election was over and he had become Mayor he disregarded his promise and granted the permit."

Mr Mansfield cited a similar instance of what he claimed occurred in South Boston, and again brought up the 5-cent fare pledge.



# MANSFIELD RIDICULES CURLEY BAN

10/11  
Says Campaign of  
Whispering in Full  
Swing

Charging that former Mayor Curley has stooped to a vicious whispering campaign against him, Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield ridiculed the promise of his opponent to bar "villification, abuse, race, religion and even Smith talk" from the contest, while speaking at a rally held last night at the South End Municipal building at West Brookline street and Shawmut avenue.

## GIVEN GOOD RECEPTION

He was given a cordial reception when he was presented to the group of several hundred men and women by former Representative Daniel J. Curley, who has joined the Mansfield camp, in the race against his namesake.

Referring to the Democratic harmony dinner of 400 party leaders and Council candidates held on the previous evening at the City Club by Curley, Candidate Mansfield alleged that the natural political enemies have united behind Curley "because they all hope to share in the loot. Some of them hadn't spoken to each other for 19 years," he noted, "and after the votes are counted Nov. 5, they won't be able to speak for 19 more."

He charged that the "political ex's and axes" have been attracted to the former Mayor because they want to "get their hands on the \$100,000,000 which Boston will spend in the next four years," with the \$15,000,000 East Boston traffic tunnel, the 1932 garbage contract and the Tercentenary celebration next year providing "opportunities for legitimate graft, as the boys say when they are picking the pockets of the people."

Candidate Mansfield accused the former Mayor of using the same type of "whispering campaign" in this contest "that was used against Thomas J. Kenney, John R. Murphy and the late James A. Gallivan. Thousands of scurrilous letters which touch the very bottom of human degradation are being circulated against me," he said.

For his own part yesterday former Mayor Curley with former District Attorney Thomas C. O'Brien addressed a torney crowd of women voters at the Democratic headquarters at 19 Beacraft street, where daily Curley rallies for women are being conducted by Mrs.

Collin W. Macdonald, first vice-chairman of the Democratic State committee. The chairman of the State committee, Frank J. Donahue, is scheduled to make the principal address at today's meeting.

## O'Brien Curley Speaker

Speaking for Curley for the first time in a number of years, former District Attorney O'Brien appealed to the 600 women present to work for the registration of new voters to assure the election of a Democratic Governor next year and another Democratic Senator to serve at Washington with David I. Walsh. He declared that after attending the "harmony dinner," there was no doubt in his mind about Curley sweeping the city with a landslide majority in the election of Nov. 5. Curley told the women that there were already 270,266 voters on the list eligible to cast ballots in the coming election, and urged that 30,000 more be added in the remaining four days of registration. He stated that he desired no friend of his to indulge in personalities in the campaign, explaining that he sought votes only on his record.

The former Mayor declared that he had learned from a reliable source that the campaign of the Good Government Association was on the verge of collapse and that it would be no surprise to him if the reformers should shut up shop and disappear.

In a public statement, issued last night, Daniel H. Coakley, the third mayorality candidate in the ring, stated that Curley has become "high hat or high brow" in the campaign. He belted the "harmony dinner" as a dress rehearsal of "Friendly Enemies" held to permit Curley to tell his former foes how to talk in a campaign. "He probably recalls how careless they have always been in campaigning against him," remarked Coakley.

He promised to give a fuller review of the "harmony dinner" tomorrow night, when he goes on the radio after Mansfield and Curley.

Criticizing Curley's Parker House address of a few weeks ago, when he was endorsed by a large group of business and civic leaders, and the later meeting at the City Club with his supporters and the Council candidates, Mansfield said last night:

## Says Curley Afraid

"In both these meetings Mr. Curley revealed himself. While he talked long and loud, his speeches denoted his fear of the election result. Brass, brag, bluff and bluster can never hide fear. These traits denote mental cowardice, but never courage.

"At the City Club Mr. Curley, surrounded by the old-timers, the political hacks of a past era, assumed his old-time bulldozing tactics when he threatened some 100 candidates for the City Council with defeat if they opposed him. Seventeen out of the 100 were present. They took the lash lying down, but the majority of the candidates for the council, their friends and the overwhelming majority of the people will strike back at the polls, as will the thousands of city employees whom he tries to coerce. Simon Legree methods are as old-fashioned as Mr. Curley and his supporters of another generation.

"At the Parker House he was indignant because I pledged myself to good, clean, honest, efficient government. He cannot bear to hear these terms. Obviously they call to his mind the opposite kind of government which he gave through eight long years as Mayor, years of waste and extravagance, to use no stronger terms—therefore his fear.

"Mr. Curley is reported to have warned his followers against the use of 'villification, abuse, race, religion or Smith.' But the type of fight that Mr. Curley usually puts up is gentle and is stooping to in this campaign. No form of vicious propaganda is so low and degraded as the anonymous letter, and thousands of scurrilous anonymous letters which touch the very bottom of human degradation are being circulated against me. They are not worthy of and will not receive a reply."

# CURLEY PAYS TRIBUTE TO POLISH HERO

Tribute to Casimir Pulaski, Polish hero of the American Revolution, was paid in glowing terms by James M. Curley, addressing members of the Army and Navy reunion at Practical Arts high school last night.

Throughout the day Curley bent all his efforts on the campaign, with a big noon-day rally at Women's Democratic headquarters.

Endorsement by the Brotherhood of Railroad Freight and Baggage-men of America, Inc., and Railroad Employees' Alliance of North America was given to Curley by unanimous vote at a mass meeting.

## CURLEY PAYS TRIBUTE TO POLISH HERO, PULASKI

Ex-Mayor James M. Curley paid a glowing tribute to the courage and strategy of Count Casimir Pulaski, Polish hero of the American Revolution, in an address before the members of the Army and Navy reunion at the Practical Arts High School last night. Yesterday was the 150th anniversary of the death of Count Pulaski.

Mr. Curley said in part: "The history of military warfare has never presented a finer cavalry leader than Count Pulaski, who embodied fearless courage, superb strategy and a relentless power of attack. In paying tribute to him, we honor, in this country, thousands of American citizens of Polish birth and ancestry. They are men and women who have been pioneers in the newer States of our Union and who have proven themselves most exemplary citizens."

GLOBE 10/10/29

# FORMER FOES UNITE AT CURLEY MEETING

## Candidate Orders Speakers Not to "Roast" Rival

### Denies That He Is Taking Any Part In Ward Races, Unless Attacked

Surrounded by the greatest assemblage of Democratic leaders in the recent history of the Democratic party in Boston, including old political foes who had not talked to him or each other for over a decade, ex-Mayor James M. Curley predicted that he will be elected Mayor of Boston by a majority of 70,000 votes at a big get-together of 250 Curley workers at the Boston City Club last night.

The political meeting was probably unique in Boston's political history. Although called primarily as the official start of a whirlwind campaign in behalf of Mr Curley's candidacy between now and election day, Nov 5, it developed into a harmony party which accepted success in the present campaign and visualized Democratic success that would spread permanently through the Commonwealth.

## Former Foes Speak

There were John F. Fitzgerald, who paid great tribute to the ex-Mayor, and Joseph F. O'Connell, who caused a sensation when he told the gathering that he had not spoken to Fitzgerald for 19 years until the common cause of Curley's candidacy brought them together. And Joseph F. Lomasney, brother of Martin Lomasney and officially representing the Hendricks Club, who made it known that he and O'Connell had not spoken since the Tague-Fitzgerald contest for Congress years ago.

They all preached of harmony and a united Democracy. They pledged their energy and ability and willingness to get out and work for Curley and the Democratic party.

And then Curley, confident of victory, gave instructions to his campaign speakers, limiting them in what they had to say about the opposition, because "we can afford to be charitable and generous to a stricken foe."

He announced that he wants no one of his speakers to indulge in abuse. He warned them not to speak of race or creed, "nor even Smith," in this contest.

## Presents Copies of Record

To each of the workers he presented a copy of his record at City Hall, "his valedictory," and he said that in it they will find record of accomplishments to induce voters to support him without argument.

The ex-Mayor, noted for his fighting qualities in a campaign, admitted to his campaign workers that it may be hard to leave an opponent alone, but declared that it will be no harder for them than for himself as "no man likes to roast an opponent more than I and never was there one as vulnerable as the present candidate."

Not the least sensational of the evening's development was the virtual ultimatum laid down to the candidates for City Council. The nearly 100 candidates were invited to attend the dinner and meeting and many accepted. Mr Curley told them his attitude about the Council fights in plain terms.

"I have no desire to control the incoming City Council of Boston," he told them. "I have no candidates for the City Council. I am content to let it be a free-for-all fight."

"I will interfere in no Council fight unless any candidate should go out of his way to do me injury. Then," he added with a grim smile and sort of threatening gesture, "I will do my part to defeat him."

## Speech Answers Rumors

The invitation to the Councilors and Mr Curley's discussion of his position were said to have been prompted by rumors that he had been taking sides in various ward fights. Similar rumors had been made concerning the School Committee contest; but the ex-Mayor made no reference to that contest and none of the 12 candidates was invited to be present.

Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald was given an ovation second only to that accorded the candidate himself. After a vigorous speech, he sang his old favorite, "Sweet Adeline," and then "Tammany." He didn't know all the words of the Curley song but howled the words "Tammany" with the enthusiasm of a youngster.

Mr Fitzgerald congratulated Mr Curley on the wonderful thing he has brought about for Democracy, saying that it was true not only in Boston but in Massachusetts. He spoke of the differences party leaders had in the past, but said it was nothing new in either party.

Mr Fitzgerald mentioned that practically all cities except Boston have a primary before the city election, but that in this city, organizations like the Good Government Association and the Public School Association set themselves up as the ones to make the choice. He denounced the present administration as "the worst administration in the history of this or any other city of the country." He said he spoke advisedly when he made that statement.

## Lomasney Brings Indorsement

Mr Lomasney brought the indorsement of the Hendricks Club and promised that the West End wards would give a greater majority than ever before.

Support was also promised by Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic State committee, and Henry E. Lawler, chairman of the Democratic city committee.

An impressive moment was when the gathering stood while "Taps" was sounded in memory of Democratic leaders who have died recently. The names read were James A. Gallivan, Thomas P. Riley, William A. Gaston, James Donovan, James H. Vahey, John F. Meaney, John H. Lee, and Patrick J. Kennedy.

Congressman John W. McCormack of South Boston promised his wholehearted support. He said the first step in making Massachusetts Democratic was the Smith campaign and that the second will be the election of Curley as Mayor.

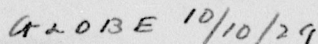
Those present included not only regular ward workers but also eight members of the present Boston City Council, a group of Boston Senators and Representatives and, among others:

Ex-Lieut Gov Edward P. Barry, Theodore A. Glynn, Charles S. O'Connor, ex-School Committeeman, Ex-Dist Atty. Gen. C. O'Brien, Ex-Congressman Peter F. Tague, Judge Thomas H. Dowd, Ex-Congressman William S. McNary, George E. Curran, Asst. Dist Atty. Gen. Joseph A. Scolopetti and Daniel J. Gillen, Ex-City Councilor James T. Mo-Morrow, Brig Gen John H. Dunn, William H. Hart, Brig Gen John H. Dunn, William H. McMorro, J. Frank O'Hare, Francis J. W. Ford, Michael H. O'Leary, Joseph A. Santolusso, Joseph P. Hurley of the Boston School Committee.

Edward E. McLaughlin, chairman of the Curley speakers' bureau, presided. Plans were made for rallies in the vicinity of registration booths on the three nights of registration next week.



# THE BIG PARADE



## Its 100 Members Also Send Ex-Mayor's Wife Bouquet

**Curley for Mayor of Boston at a meeting held at their headquarters at Hotel Statler yesterday, on the motion of Dr Helen I. Doherty. More than 100 members were present.**

A resolution was adopted deploring poor business methods in government and pointing out that graft in cities constitutes the failure of American institutions and is cited by students the world over to America's shame. The members present sent a large bouquet of American beauty roses to Mrs Curley.

# MANSFIELD HITS BROKEN PLEDGES

10/10  
Recalls Curley Promise to  
Build Houses for Work-  
ing Man

## LEADERS ATTEND CURLEY BANQUET

BY CHARLES A. COYLE

While former Mayor James M. Curley was predicting his election on Nov. 5 by 70,000 votes to a gathering of about 400 at the City Club last night, former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield was holding the former mayor out as a "candidate of broken promises" to a crowd that filled the municipal building at Lexington and Bunker Hill streets in Charlestown.

Gathered at the head table with former Mayor Curley were former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, former Dist.-Atty. Thomas C. O'Brien, former Lt.-Gov. Edward P. Barry and Joseph Lomasney, brother of Martin M. Lomasney, Mahatma of the West end.

### WARNS COUNCIL ASPIRANTS

Although former Mayor Curley's speech was based on optimism, he sounded a solemn warning to the large number of city council candidates that if they went out of their way to injure his candidacy he would go out of his way to defeat them.

The gathering could rightly be termed a "love feast," with each of the former foes of Curley vying with one another to prove his place on the Curley bandwagon.

Former Congressman Joseph F. O'Connell summed up the import of the gathering when he exchanged greetings with former Mayor Fitzgerald during the course of his speech and declared that he hadn't spoken to "Fitz" for 19 years but that they were both present in the interest of the Curley candidacy.

A little later in his speech he smiled at Joseph Lomasney and again informed the cheering diners that "although I have not spoken with him since I put his brother Martin on the witness stand in the Douglas-Tague congressional contest, we are both here in the interest of James M. Curley." Then the orchestra played "Hark, Hark My Soul."

Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic state committee, called on all to stand while a minute of silent prayer was offered up for the departed Democratic leaders while the cornetist played taps.

### RECALLS PLEDGE

Former Mayor Fitzgerald and former Congressman O'Connell left the gathering shortly after their speeches in which they urged co-operation in the registration drive. The former mayor did not leave, however, until he had rendered his favorite "Sweet Adeline" amid applause.

Former State Treasurer Mansfield recalled the pledge of former Mayor Curley made when a candidate for his second term, in which he pledged himself to borrow \$15,000,000 "to build houses for the working man and working woman to be paid for by them in

monthly instalments."

"What became of that promise?" asked Mansfield amid the cheers of the crowd. "That, too, went the way of his sacred pledge to obtain a five-cent fare or resign as mayor."

"There is one promise I can and do make," Mansfield declared. "For every dollar of the people's money spent by me as mayor, they will receive a dollar's worth in return, and I will not divert one penny of it to pay graft or political debts."

Daniel H. Coakley last night took the lead in the days poll of votes being conducted by the Coakley forces in different sections of the city by blocks of 100. Coakley received 136 votes, Mansfield 133 and Curley 108.

The sections of the city covered by the workers yesterday were East Boston where Mansfield led, Uphams Corner where Curley led, Brighton where Coakley led, Meeting House Hill where Mansfield led and Mission Hill where Coakley again carried off the honors.

"The general results have been more than satisfactory to me as they show clearly that the mayoralty campaign is to be one of the most surprising in Boston's history," Mr. Coakley stated last night. "This is due to the fact that it is the only three-man contest we have had in over a quarter of a century."

### INDORSES CURLEY

The Women's Better Government League of Boston indorsed the candidacy of former Mayor Curley at a meeting held yesterday at their headquarters in the Statler Hotel. Dr. Helen I. Doherty presided.

Mansfield will carry his fight against Curley and Coakley into the West end tonight when he will be the main speaker at a rally in the Municipal building at Brookline street and Shawmut avenue.

Thomas A. O'Connell, candidate for the school committee, spoke at the Charlestown rally and also at rallies in South Boston. He urged his election as a business man to the board.

### MANSFIELD SPEAKS

Speaking at the rally in the ward 2 wardrobe in Charlestown last night, Mr. Mansfield said in part:

I was reminded by people in Hyde Park when I spoke there on Tuesday evening of another reckless campaign pledge that Mr. Curley made to the citizens of Boston, and like his pledge to restore the five cent fare, failed to keep.

He told the citizens of Hyde Park in the Waverly Opera House on the date of Oct. 12 when he was last running for mayor that the high rents in the residential section of the city was caused by unequal and unjust taxation and that when he was elected he would borrow \$15,-

000,000 to build houses for the working man and working woman which they could pay for in monthly payments until the cost was paid to the city.

"It will build them at a price," he said, "that will cause such competition that it will force the landlords to bring down the rent."

Well, he was elected. Did he keep this pledge? Everyone knows that after he was successful, nothing more was heard of this campaign promise.

This is just another broken pledge

like the promise to resign from the office of mayor if he did not obtain the five cent fare. Both of these promises were made to catch the votes of the working man and rent-payer and both promises were made by Mr. Curley when he knew that he could not fulfill either of them and when he did not have the slightest intention of attempting to fulfill them. How long are the people of Boston going to be bluffed by such pledges made only to be broken?

I have some regard for my word and I do not intend to promise anything I cannot fulfill. There is one promise I can and do make, that when I am elected mayor, for every dollar of the people's money spent there will be a dollar's worth of value received by the people and not one cent of it will go to pay graft or political debts.

I will have no political debts to pay for I have no bosses draped around my neck to pass out fat contracts or city patronage to.

Another promise I make is that the citizens of Boston will get a square deal, high and low, rich and poor, Protestant and Catholic, Jew or Gentile will all receive just and equitable treatment.

RECORD 10/10/29

## HENDRICKS CLUB PLEDGED 10/10 FOR CURLEY

Pledging the support of the Hendricks Club to former Mayor James M. Curley, former Schoolhouse Comr. Joseph T. Lomasney, brother of Martin, last night promised him the biggest vote from Ward 8 received by a candidate for mayor.

An ultimatum that no villification of opponents be a part of the present mayoralty campaign, but that it be based on his record in various public offices was given by Curley to 250 workers in an address at the City Club.

The name of former Governor Alfred E. Smith of New York should not be brought into the campaign in any way, Curley urged, stating that he wanted the campaign to be made on "a clean and truthful foundation."

The Better Government League, composed of women prominent in civic, fraternal and social organizations, endorsed the Curley candidacy and pledged him support.



POST 10/10/29

# DEMANDS CAMPAIGN OF CHARITY

## Curley Warns Workers Against Abuse in Contest

BY WILTON VAUGH

At a dinner given last night at the City Club to 250 Democratic leaders and party workers, former Mayor Curley flatly warned his followers against the use of "vilification, abuse, race, religion, or even Smith," in the current contest for Mayor.

### SEES 70,000 MAJORITY

"No one ever lived who got more enjoyment out of roasting a political opponent than myself, but I will endeavor to be charitable and to use self control, for with your help in this campaign I will roll up a majority of 70,000 votes," explained Curley.

"So if you find it hard to listen to the opposing candidate's total disregard of truth and absolute abhorrence of fact, it is twice as hard for me. Let us stand by the records. Make no unfair or dishonest reference to the enemy," said Curley. "This campaign is another step in the organization of the Democratic party in Massachusetts."

The sounding of the Curley keynote in the campaign was greeted with thunderous applause by his admirers.

### Old Enemies Unite

Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald rose to lead the cheers for former Congressman Joseph F. O'Connell, although neither has spoken to the other for 19 years. With them were practically all the other prominent Democratic leaders of the city. They were all enthusiastic in their praise of Curley for Mayor and Massachusetts for Democracy.

But before Curley had concluded the dinner with his campaign edict, a number of the speakers had placed a heavy barrage over the enemy.

Attacking the "Republican Good Government Association," former Mayor Fitzgerald charged, "The Goo-Gooes are responsible for the last four years at City Hall, the worst administration in the history of this or any other city in the country. Never, after the exhibition of Nichols and the gang of pirates at City Hall, will the voters of Boston permit another Goo-Goo administration here."

"I have nothing personally against Mansfield or Coakley," stated former Mayor Fitzgerald, "but they are the agency of the crowd that is attempting to demoralize Democracy," he shouted. "All but one of the Good Government leaders are Republicans, and that one has never been heard to give voice to Democratic doctrines. What right

have they to dictate to the voters of Boston? What price their endorsement?"

### Calls Mansfield Decoy

The Ku Klux Klan label was attached to the G. G. A. by President Joseph P. Lomasney of the Hendricks Club, who charged that the "Good Government crowd were just as bad, mean, contemptible and bigoted in Boston as the Ku Klux Klan was in the South and West in the last campaign against Smith." He contended that Candidate Mansfield was selected to carry the G. G. A. banner in the present campaign as a "decoy because of his race," and insisted that the voters should not be deceived by the major Curley opponent.

Chairman Frank J. Donahue of the Democratic State committee, appealing for a party majority of 100,000 votes in Boston to "elect a Democratic Governor and another Democrat to sit in the United States Senate with David I. Walsh," announced his unqualified endorsement of Curley. "Just as the Democrats united behind Smith in the last presidential campaign to carry him over the top in Massachusetts, so are they now united behind James M. Curley for Mayor."

"I feel about Curley as Mayor as I do about Alfred E. Smith. In their respective fields as municipal and national executives, they rank as the greatest in history," said the State chairman.

In the enthusiasm of the meeting the Democratic chieftains who have passed from the ranks recently were not forgotten by Toastmaster Edward McLaughlin. And as the veterans' band played "Taps," the entire group stood in silence for a full minute out of respect for the late Congressman James A. Gallivan, Judge Thomas P. Riley, William A. Gaston, City Clerk James Donovan, Patrick J. Kennedy, James H. Vahey, John Lee and Judge John Meany.

## CLAIMS CURLEY BROKE PLEDGE

### Mansfield Well Received in Charlestown

Charging that former Mayor Curley failed to keep his campaign promise of 1921 when he told the voters he would build \$15,000,000 worth of houses for the poor in order to reduce high rents, Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield made his first plea to Charlestown voters at a rally held last night at the wardroom at Bunker Hill and Lexington streets.

"Mr. Curley neglected to keep this reckless campaign pledge just as he failed to resign from office when he broke his pledge on the five-cent carefare," said Mr. Mansfield. The candidate was warmly received by a crowd of several hundred men and women.

"My promise," he said, "is that the citizens of Boston will get a square deal. High and low, rich and poor, Protestant and Catholic, Jew and Gentile will all receive just and equitable treatment."

POST 10/10/29

# URGES CITY TO SUE THE COLEMAN CO.

## Fin. Com. Claims \$150,000 Illegally Paid to Concern

Charging that city officials are preparing to defy the decision of the Supreme Court to make further payments to J. C. Coleman & Sons Company for filling in Columbus Park the Finance Commission yesterday sent a report to Mayor Nichols demanding that he take action to recover \$150,000 in alleged illegal overpayments made to the contracting company.

### WARNED OF TIME LIMIT

The report was also sent to Corporation Counsel Frank S. Deland and to the City Council over the signature of Chairman John C. L. Dowling just before it was announced at the State House that Governor Allen had nominated Frank Goodwin to take Dowling's place.

The Finance Commission warned that the time period within which the city may bring action will expire on May 29, 1930, for the last payment on the contract was made on May 29, 1924, and the suit for the recovery of the money must be made within six years under the statute of limitations.

The report pointed out that the "court perpetually enjoined the city and all its officers from paying any further sums of money on the contract."

To make sure that there would be no payment of an item amounting to over \$29,000, the Finance Commission placed a stop order in the auditor's office.

GLOBE 10/10/29

## MANSFIELD CHARGES RENT PLEDGE BROKEN

Says Curley Promised to  
Compete With Landlords

In Address at Charlestown, Claims  
Whispering Campaign Under Way

Making a severe arraignment of "Curley and his cohorts" and adding another item to the list of unfulfilled campaign promises of Ex-Mayor Curley, Frederick W. Mansfield, candidate for Mayor, spoke before 300 persons at a rally in the Ward 2 ward-room, Lexington and Bunker Hill sts, Charlestown, last night.

Mr Mansfield said that Mr Curley told "the citizens of Hyde Park in the Waverly Opera House on Oct 12, when he was last a candidate for Mayor, that the high rates in the residential section of the city were caused by unequal and unjust taxation and that when he was elected he would borrow \$15,000,000 to build houses for the working men and working women, for which they could pay in monthly payments until the cost was paid to the city. 'I will build them at a price,' he said, 'that will cause such competition that it will force the landlords to bring down the rent.'

### Nothing More Heard

"Well, he was elected. Did he keep his pledge? Everyone knows that after he was successful, nothing more was heard. This was just another broken pledge like the promise to resign from office if he did not obtain the 5-cent fare. How long are the people of Boston going to be bluffed by such pledges made only to be broken?"

Mr Mansfield told the audience the story of his life, how he became identified with the legal profession and politics. He said that while the Good Government Association indorsed his platform, they had no more control over him than any voter. He next spoke of the "bosses" who now surrounded Curley but would knife him on election day.

Concerning these individuals, he said that they could not have one spark of red blood to "lick the hand that smashed them because Jim Curley had called them names and done things to them which no man could forgive."

"I have some regard for my word

and I do not intend to promise anything I cannot fulfill. There is one promise I can and do make, that when I am elected Mayor, for every dollar of the people's money there will be a dollar's worth of value received by the people and not one cent will go to pay graft or political debts.

### No Bosses Around Him

"I will have no political debts to pay because I have no bosses draped around my neck to which I must pass out fat contracts or city patronage. Another promise I make is that the citizens of Boston will get a square deal. High and low, rich and poor, Protestant and Catholic, Jew or Gentile, will all receive just and equitable treatment."

Mr Mansfield said that he "did not propose to be beaten by underground whispers" and told of his religious faith and membership in the Catholic Lawyers' League, which he helped to organize.

When he came to a discussion of political issues, he said that Curley promised that he would set a 5-cent fare for the people of Boston within a year after an election or he would resign. He charged Curley with not keeping this promise, yet "he did not resign and he is again a candidate for political office."

He demanded to know whether Curley was attempting to establish a monarchy and asked for a chance for younger men or new men to get into political office. He cited the terms of office which Curley held and the "dominance" of Curley in other campaigns. He declared that if he was elected, city employees would be protected without contributions or favor.

### Wants No Percentage

"If men are promoted and their wages increased, they will not have to pay me a percentage of their salary. They are free American citizens." Then Mr Mansfield went on to the subject of "humane treatment" and "Jim Curley's a good fellow." He cited instances which he claimed showed that Curley was not a "good fellow."

William J. Canty presided at the rally. Other speakers were:

Dr William Burns, Charles V. Coffey, Mrs Elizabeth W. Pidgeon, James A. Watson, Joseph Langone, Henry A. Sasserno, Morgan T. Ryan, Dr Charles E. Mackey, all candidates for the School Committee.

HERALD 10/10/29

## Curley Sees Comfort For the Democrats

10/10

Former Mayor James M. Curley, while presiding over a dinner to Curley campaign speakers, when asked to comment upon the Goodwin appointment, demurred, saying:

"In view of the fact that I shall probably be mayor while Mr. Goodwin is in office I don't think I should comment."

When pressed for a comment, he said:

"The Republican machine is doing its best to make the state Democratic, not so much in the appointment of Goodwin as in the failure to reappoint Dowling."

POST 10/10/29

## COAKLEY SEES HOPE IN STRAWS

Finds Himself Leading in  
Two Sections

Daniel H. Coakley, candidate for Mayor, last night indicated that he will carry his home ward in Brighton and the Mission Hill section of Roxbury, on the basis of straw ballots taken yesterday by his workers.

In the last of his polls for the week, Coakley stated that he obtained in his home ward 48 votes to 24 for Mansfield and 12 for Curley. He led the Mission

Hill sector near Roxbury Crossing with 34 votes, while Mansfield got 24 and Curley just 19. His poll at Uphams corner gave 30 for Curley, 22 for Mansfield and 18 for Coakley, while East Boston gave 40 for Mansfield, 22 for Curley and 16 for himself. His straw in the Meeting House Hill section of Dorchester gave 28 for Mansfield, 20 for Coakley and 20 for Curley.

"The results have been more than satisfactory," he said, "showing that the campaign is to be one of the most surprising in Boston's history."

POST 10/10/29

## Glynn Speaker at Citizens' Club Rally

Theodore A. Glynn headed a list of a dozen speakers who addressed the newly organized Roxbury and Dorchester Italian Citizens' Club, which

held its first smoker and rally last night at the Municipal building on Dudley street, Roxbury. Mr. Glynn stated that when former Mayor Curley is elected he will cure the unemployment situation in Boston. The president of the new club is Barney C. DeLuca.



HERALD 10/10/29  
**DEMOCRATIC LEADERS AT CURLEY CITY CLUB DINNER**



Former Mayors James M. Curley and John F. Fitzgerald seated together at the head table. Seated next to Curley is Edward F. McLaughlin, while next to Fitzgerald is former Lt.-Gov. Edward P. Barry, with former Dist.-Atty. Thomas C. O'Brien at his left.

TRANSCRIPT 10/9/29

**268,710 Voters Now  
 10/9 on Boston's List**

A total of 268,710 registered voters appeared on the books of the election commissioners at the close of business yesterday, the largest number ever recorded for a Boston city election. There are six working days remaining for registration of new voters and those who were dropped from the lists since the presidential election last fall.

Since the present registration period opened, the election officials have sworn in 10,037 additional voters on the supplementary list and indications are that the final total may be near or more than 300,000 as the result of the intensive drive for registration being conducted by the supporters of the mayoral candidates, especially former Mayor Curley and Frederick W. Mansfield.

There will be no registration Saturday because of the holiday, but during the remaining six days City Hall Annex will be open from 9 A. M. until 10 P. M. for those who desire to register. In addition, neighborhood registration booths will be kept open in every section of the city from six until ten o'clock at night, ending Oct. 16. For the three remaining working days of the week the election commissioners last night selected the following registration places:

- Oct. 9, 10 and 11, from 6 P. M. to 10 P. M.  
 Ward 1. Joseph H. Barnes School, Marlon street.  
 Ward 2. Harvard School, Prescott street side.  
 Ward 3. Franklin School, Waltham street.  
 Ward 4. Charles C. Perkins School, St. Botolph street.  
 Ward 5. Engine 10, River, corner Mt. Vernon street.  
 Ward 6. Hawes Hall School, West Broadway, near Dorchester street.  
 Ward 7. Shurtleff School, Dorchester street, near West Seventh street.  
 Ward 8. George T. Angell School, Hunneman street.  
 Ward 9. Everett School, Northampton street, near Tremont street.  
 Ward 10. Thomas Dwight School, Smith street, corner Phillips street.  
 Ward 11. George Putnam School, Columbus avenue.  
 Ward 12. Lewis School, Paulding street and Walnut avenue.  
 Ward 13. Municipal building, Columbia road, corner Bird street.  
 Ward 14. Sarah Greenwood School, Glenway street.  
 Ward 15. Old Mather School, East street.  
 Ward 16. Engine 46, Peabody square.  
 Ward 17. Municipal building, Washington street, corner Norfolk street.  
 Ward 18. New Phineas Bates School, Beech street.  
 Ward 19. Curtis Hall, South street (Custodian room).  
 Ward 20. Mozart School, Beech street.  
 Ward 21. Washington Allston School, Cambridge street.  
 Ward 22. William Wirt Warren School, Waverly street.

POST 10/11/29

# 10/11 THE GOOD WILL SPIRIT IS CATCHING



RECORD 10/11/29



(Daily Record Photo)

**Women** workers for James M. Curley for mayor have established Beacon st. headquarters. Photo shows Mrs. A. N. Sullivan, West Roxbury; ex-Dist. Atty. T. C. O'Brien, ex-Mayor Curley and Mrs. W. V. McCarthy, Jr., East Boston, left to right.



POST 10/12/29

GLOBE 10/12/29

# DECLARES PLEDGES BROKEN

## Mansfield Assails Curley's Action as Mayor

Charging that former Mayor Curley defied the clergy by permitting a friendly contractor to establish a garage near the Mission Hill School, Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield last night told a large crowd of Roxbury men and women at a rally in the Comins school that his opponent "is not fit to be Mayor of Boston."

### CHILDREN VS. MONEY

"What did the clergy mean when they said he preferred money to the lives of the children of the district?" asked Mansfield. "I demand to know what, if anything, Mr. Curley received?" He declared that it was just "another campaign promise broken by Curley."

While Mansfield was staging two rallies, the first at the Michelangelo School in the North End, and the last at Roxbury Crossing, the former Mayor was busy at his Province-street headquarters completing plans for the final drive to register new voters for the city election, and preparing his second radio campaign speech, which he will present tonight.

Curley will be sandwiched in between his two opponents on the air, for Mansfield will start at 7:30 o'clock, Curley at 7:45 and Coakley at 8:05, each to talk for 10 minutes out of station WNAC.

Mansfield was attacked yesterday by Chairman Frank J. Donahue of the Democratic State committee in an address before the Curley rally at the Democratic Women's headquarters, at 19 Beacon street. Donahue declared that the Democratic leaders to whom

Mansfield referred as "political hacks" were the "same gentlemen who elevated him to the office of State treasurer 15 years ago."

### Praises Nichols

Recalling that he was elected Secretary of State on the same Democratic ticket, Donahue told the women that when Mansfield took over the treasurer's office at the State House, he removed men and women who had been in the employ of the State for many years. "In fact, he cleaned out the office," charged Donahue.

"I believe in being fair in politics," said the State chairman, "and I will say, publicly, that Mayor Nichols has given us one of the best administrations at City Hall in the history of the city. It is about time for someone to say a good word about his work. It is time that the people should show their appreciation of his worth."

Chairman Donahue declared that in his home section of Hyde Park the voters are strong for Curley "because he has the ability, experience and capacity to serve the best interests of the city as its chief executive."

"It was Curley who introduced the single fare from the Dedham line to the heart of Boston," said Donahue, "by purchasing the Eastern Massachusetts street railway tracks and equipment in Hyde Park and leasing the line to the Elevated."

In his North End rally, Mansfield paid high tribute to the memory of Christopher Columbus on the eve of his holiday and promised appropriate celebrations of the day in the North End after he is elected Mayor.

### Scores Curley's Action

Speaking to a responsive audience at the Comins School at Roxbury Crossing, Mansfield, after referring to Curley's recent appearance at City Hall to protest against the petition of a gasoline filling station at the Arborway, Weld road and Centre street, Jamaica Plain, said:

"But he was a different Mr. Curley when the question of erecting a garage on Mission Hill came before him for action. This garage was near the Mission Hill School. All of the residents of the district and the clergy protested most vigorously against the planting of a death trap so near the school, which was frequented by hundreds of small children. Mayor Peters had refused to grant the permit. Mr. Curley, when he was a candidate for election to his second four-year term, promised publicly that he would not grant the permit."

"But as soon as the election was over and he had become Mayor, he disregarded his promise and granted the permit. All pleadings of the mothers and the clergy were ruthlessly disregarded. He told the clergy that he was running the city and advised them to confine their activities to running the church. He not only planted a death trap in this district, but he commercialized and ruined what should have been one of the most beautiful districts in the city of Boston."

"I am informed that the Mission Hill permit was granted to one of his favorite contractors. I demand to know what, if anything, Mr. Curley received? What did the clergy mean when they said he preferred money to the lives of the children of the district?"

## MAYOR NICHOLS PRAISED BY DEMOCRATIC LEADER

Combining congratulations to Mayor Nichols on "having one of the best administrations of the city" with a denunciation of Frederick W. Mansfield, candidate for Mayor, Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, spoke before 600 women at the Curley noonday rally at the Women's Democratic Headquarters, 19 Beacon st. Concerning the Nichols' administration Donahue said that it was about time "people appreciated his worth and somebody said a good word for him."

Mansfield was attacked for calling "prominent Democratic leaders 'political hacks' and forgetting that they elevated him to the office of State Treasurer" some 15 years ago, and for "firing men and women who had been employed by the State for many years when elected." Mr. Donahue said that Ex-Mayor Curley made it possible for Hyde Park residents to ride from Hyde Park to the heart of Boston for a single fare, and they were grateful.

Other speakers were Mrs. Alice M. Durst of Hyde Park, Mrs. Charles S. Stack of Hyde Park and Mrs. Henry Camp of Roxbury.

GLOBE 10/12/29

## CURLEY PAYS TRIBUTE TO POLISH HERO, PULASKI

Ex-Mayor James M. Curley paid a glowing tribute to the courage and strategy of Count Casimir Pulaski, Polish hero of the American Revolution, in an address before the members of the Army and Navy reunion at the Practical Arts High School last night. Yesterday was the 150th anniversary of the death of Count Pulaski.

Mr. Curley said in part: "The history of military warfare has never presented a finer cavalry leader than Count Pulaski, who embodied fearless courage, superb strategy and a relentless power of attack. In paying tribute to him, we honor, in this country, thousands of American citizens of Polish birth and ancestry. They are men and women who have been pioneers in the newer States of our Union and who have proven themselves most exemplary citizens."

# CARRIES FIGHT TO CURLEY'S AREA

10/12

Mansfield Recalls Mission  
Hill Garage Permit  
In Roxbury

## CHAIRMAN DONAHUE AT NOON-DAY RALLY

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield, preceded by a band and red fire, invaded Roxbury last night and, in one of the bitterest and fiercest speeches in the mayoralty campaign thus far he lashed former Mayor Curley as "inhuman in his treatment of those who failed to do his bidding" and scornfully belittled the vote-getting powers of "the political hacks" lined up with "Boss Jim."

A crowd that occupied every available inch of space in the auditorium of the Comins school at Roxbury Crossing cheered Mansfield at every turn and listened attentively for more than two hours as he attacked the record of the former mayor and those who were leading the fight with Curley. The men and women that lined the stairways leading into the auditorium stuck to their positions during the length of the tirade and greeted with cheers and laughter the reference to former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald as the "Minstrel Boy who sings his song for Jim."

"Well do you remember," Mansfield declared, "when a few short years ago Jim was saying unprintable things about the 'Minstrel Boy' and the 'Minstrel Boy' was saying anything but nice things about Jim. It is enough to make a child laugh."

"Just picture the line-up of the bosses with Jim. He lacerated every one of them at some time or another. If there was a single drop of red blood in their veins they would not be with him now. But will they vote for him on election day? I should say not. On Nov. 5 James M. Curley will receive the worst knifing that any candidate ever received in the history of Boston politics from these same bosses who pose with him now, who sing for him now and who talk for him now."

### "BROKEN PROMISES"

"He promised not to allow the erection of a garage on Mission Hill the last time he ran," Mansfield said, "only to grant it as his first official act."

"He granted the erection of this death trap in spite of the protests of the residents of the neighborhood and in spite of the fact that it was but a little removed from the school in this district. He broke that pledge as he broke the pledge of the five-cent fare and the pledge to build \$15,000,000 worth of homes for the working man to be sold on easy terms, and he will continue to break pledges he will make in this campaign."

Hugh A. Campbell, former assistant district attorney, declared that if elected, Curley will dominate the city to such an extent that no young man will be able to run for office without first asking the former mayor for permission.

### CURLEY WOMEN'S RALLY

Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic state committee, was the principal speaker at the Curley women's noonday rally held at 19 Beacon street yesterday, and the former secretary of state assailed Mansfield for referring to prominent leaders of the Democratic party in the state and city as "political hacks."

"He forgets," Chairman Donahue declared, "that these same political 'hacks' are the gentlemen who elevated him to the position of state treasurer some 15 years ago. He also seems to forget when he attacks former Mayor Curley on the latter's treatment of city laborers, that when he took over the office of state treasurer he fired men and women who had been in the employ of the state for many years."

Chairman Donahue also informed the gathering of several hundred women that former Mayor Curley was responsible for the single fare to Boston for the people of Hyde Park and added that the former mayor is especially fitted for the office of mayor because of his service, ability and experience in his administrations.

Mrs. Alice M. Durst, vice chairman of the Hyde Park ward committee, acted as chairman of the noonday rally and conducted the meeting. Mrs. Charles S. Stack of Hyde Park and Mrs. Henry Camp of Roxbury also urged the election of the former mayor and asked those present to help in the work of registration.

### MISSION HILL GARAGE

Speaking at rallies in the Michaelangelo school in the North end and the Cromins school at Roxbury last night Mr. Mansfield said in part:

Mr. Curley recently appeared at City Hall to protest very vigorously against granting a permit for the building of a gasoline station in Jamaica Plain, his home district. There are two reasons why he opposed the granting of that permit. First, because he did not want a gasoline station in his own neighborhood, and second because he is now a candidate for re-election, for a third four-year term as mayor.

But he was a different Mr. Curley when the question of erecting a garage on Mission Hill came before him for action. This garage was near the Mission Hill school. All of the residents of the district and the clergy protested most vigorously against the planting of a death trap so near the school, which was frequented by hundreds of small children. Mayor Peters had refused to grant the permit. Mr. Curley when he was a candidate for re-election to his second four-year term promised publicly that he would not grant the permit.

### PERMIT WAS GRANTED

But as soon as the election was over and he had become mayor he disregarded his promise and granted the permit. All pleadings of the mothers and the clergy were ruthlessly disregarded. He told the clergy that he was running the city and advised them to confine their activities to running the church. He not only planted a death trap in this district, but he commercialized and ruined what should have been one of the most beautiful districts in the city of Boston. The citizens of the district will remember how he was publicly denounced by the clergy for what he had done and how they told him that he had preferred dollars to the lives of the children of the district. But a thing like that doesn't bother

Mr. Curley. He and his children did not live there and he had only contempt for those who did.

And he attempted the same thing in South Boston. Against the protests of the people and the clergy he granted to a large oil company a permit for the storage of 3,000,000 gallons of gasoline. That was on Nov. 3, 1925, when his term as mayor was about to expire. An appeal to Fire Marshal Neal was taken and he revoked the permit.

I am informed that the Mission Hill permit was granted to one of his favorite contractors.



by LOUIS M. LYONS 10/13

**I**N naming Frank A. Goodwin chairman of the Boston Finance Commission, Gov. Allen has placed a stormy petrel of Massachusetts politics at a traditional storm center. Indeed it is a place where storms are brewed. But such storms as blow from Mr. Goodwin's office in the immediate hereafter will be blown in the direction of the Boston City Hall instead of at the Massachusetts State House.

This will be a relief to numerous persons in the political life of the State who have felt the heat of Frank Goodwin's critical blasts too often for comfort.

From being a thorn in the side of Republican State administrations, Mr. Goodwin, for the time being, will serve as a check upon an incoming Democratic administration in Boston.

#### Office Itself Is Spectacular

From a point of view of public interest, a picturesque figure goes to a place that is in its nature so spectacular that even under the impersonal administration of men who lacked Mr. Goodwin's dramatic qualities, it has been almost constantly in the public eye through its 20 years existence.

The Fin Com with Mr. Goodwin in the saddle has possibilities to make a City Hall reporter rub his hands in anticipation. A man who turned so tame an office as the Registry of Motor Vehicles into an inquisition of the courts and a forum for criticism of public officials has a suit made to order in a post that was created to be an inquisition and high critic of the City Government.

Frank A. Goodwin does not have to don the mantle of dramatic critic. He was born with it on. And he needs no press agent to instruct him how to get the ear of the community to whatever he finds that calls for comment at City Hall.

#### Public Waiting for Him

His public awaits whatever play he may produce. It has been waiting for a Goodwin in the Fin Com for 20 years. Excellent as have been the heads of that body—and they doubtless compare with any list of contemporary Mayors or Governors—they have lacked the flair which Frank Goodwin commands to put the job over with the public. It is not unfair to say that to the public the Fin Com has been a disappointment. It may be no fault of any particular Fin Com that the public has looked to it with great expectations.

For the Fin Com was created to keep the city's political life pure and efficient, and given no power to carry such a load except the punch of publicity, which it has had to wield always in contest with politicians who are masters of the art.

When the very first Finance Commission was just getting comfortable in its new office it was called upon to consider a speech of no less a personage than Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, which ran like this:

"The air is heavy with stories of corruption at City Hall—of offices sold, of percentages taken, of payrolls loaded, of loans made to support men in idleness, of widespread frauds at the

ballot box, which should all be rigidly investigated and brought to the light of day."

#### Fin Com Explained Position

What about that? the Fin Com was asked. Under the distinguished chairmanship of Nathan Matthews, the Fin Com answered, that it "has from the beginning sedulously avoided the investigation of mere rumors."

Mr. Lodge's impression was the popular one, that somehow the Fin Com was going to catch all crooks and grafters, and turn the scoundrels out.

Not that Mr. Goodwin's predecessors have failed to turn publicity to account in their task as watchdogs of the public purse. But none of them had had Frank Goodwin's post-graduate training in stirring the public imagination.

Mr. Goodwin goes to his new task under conditions rather more interesting than any of his predecessors. For one thing he is a Republican, becoming the official critic and check upon what is to be a Democratic city administration. His predecessors have been Democrats. But there is this also about Mr. Goodwin. He has been on both sides of the table.

#### He Has Attacked Fin Com

Even before he became notable as a critic of the courts and assailant of the State Commission of Administration and Finance, Frank Goodwin was practicing denunciation upon a Finance Commission of the city of Boston. Some of the members who will sit under his chairmanship have felt the sting of his public criticism.

He has served in City Hall himself, and this in spite of the Good Government Association, which has been so closely identified with the history of the Finance Commission. Mr. Goodwin blew some of the best of his early blasts upon the very Good Government Association, which had perhaps done more than any other body to create the Finance Commission in its present status.

It was in 1910. The Good Government Association refused to indorse Mr. Goodwin for reelection to the City Council. It said of him, in language that sounds like the comment of some stalwart Republicans of more recent time: "The was noteworthy for an apparent desire for personal advertisement by exploiting sensational and exaggerated charges on little or no evidence, rather than for any sound or really effective work in the interests of the whole city."

#### Goodwin at Once Hit Back

To this Mr. Goodwin retorted that he had "exploited" the fact that the chairman of the executive committee of the Good Government Association had evaded tax payments for 20 years. He called the chief supporters of the Good Government Association "tax dodgers," individually and collectively, and invited the voters to compare their record with his.

Later Mr. Goodwin held one of the City Hall offices which has a way of coming very frequently to the fore in Fin Com investigations of city deals. He was a Street Commissioner, appointed by James M. Curley and removed by Curley's successor, Andrew J. Peters.

Politicians have been musing the last few days over the coincidence that Mr. Goodwin held his first public appointment under Mr. Curley, who might become head of the city administration it will be Mr. Goodwin's job to criticize and investigate.

It would be a novel situation to have a Fin Com chairman a friend of the Mayor. But it may be recalled that Mr. Goodwin has a relative who is a judge, but that never hindered the then registrar when he had things to say about judges, even about that particular judge. Mr. Goodwin's record is that of a man who "seen his duty and he done it." Nobody has ever complained on that score.

And it may be remembered that Mr. Nichols started in as a friend of the Finance Commission. Shortly he was inviting them to "lay off City Hall for a while."

#### Chairman No One's Friend

A Finance Commission chairman just naturally is nobody's friend. It isn't that kind of a job. It is a thankless job, as Mr. Goodwin's immediate predecessor can attest. One item in evidence. The salary of the chairman of the Finance Commission is the same today that it was 20 years ago when the office was created by the Legislature, \$5000. It rated high in the salary scale of public posts in that day. It rates very low today. No politician has ever insisted on increasing it. In its very nature the Fin Com itself is stopped from trying to raise its own chairman's salary, even though it may claim to have saved the city many millions. The other four members receive no salary whatever.

It is notable that the chairmanship of so important a body has never brought its incumbent political preferment, though the chairmen have been solid citizens.

Nathan Matthews, the first chairman during the brief period before the State took the appointment of the commission away from the Mayor of Boston, had been Mayor before he went on the Fin Com.

#### Sullivan Ended Career There

John A. Sullivan had a political career before, but not after his redoubtable service as Finance Commission chairman, where he earned a degree and this tribute from the president of Harvard College: "A citizen with the spirit of a Roman consul, fearless and relentless in battling for civic righteousness."

Sullivan's successors, John R. Murphy, Michael H. Sullivan, Charles L. Carr and John C. L. Dowling, all battled relentlessly for civic righteousness. They have been graduated to political obscurity while men in less significant posts have climbed to the plums of politics.

Mr. Murphy, running for Mayor under the best auspices, was defeated by Curley. Both Michael Sullivan and Mr. Carr are now in the relative retirement of Municipal Court judgeships. And Mr. Dowling, after conducting one of the most sensational investigations in the commission's history, into Exchange-st widening deals, has failed of reappointment. What will the job do to Frank Goodwin or he to it?

#### Given Nickname by Linahan

As a matter of colloquial history, the Fin Com was first accorded its now established abbreviation at the hands of then Alderman Frank J. "Corky" Linahan of South Boston. It has been sometimes pronounced "Fine Comb" by those who have been gone over by it.

The public is familiar with the sensational aspects of the Fin Com's work. It parades through newspaper files in such headlines as "Fin Com to Conduct Public Probe Today," "Fin Com Attacks Mayor's Budget," "Charges Waste by City," "Fin Com Asks Suit to Recover \$200,000," "Contract Not Given Lowest Bidder."

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Its duty, defined by law, is a sweeping one; "to investigate any and all matters relating to appropriations, loans, expenditures, accounts and methods of administration affecting the city of Boston, or the County of Suffolk or any department thereof, that may appear to the commission to require investigation."

It was set up to be a check upon the city administration and has generally faced hostility in the Mayor's office. The very first commission reported that "The recommendations calling for action by the Mayor or by heads of departments have received favorable consideration in some instances, but have more often been disregarded."

#### Hundreds of Investigations

Often its comments on official appointments have been similar to one of the first statements by the first chairman: "Mr E is unfit for the office, the appointment was unnecessary, it is subversive of discipline, and it should be revoked at once."

The commission has made hundreds of investigations, summoned thousands of witnesses and let much light through the windows of City Hall that was doubtless as healthy as light is supposed to be.

It has reported savings of many millions in tax collections. It has analyzed city budgets, watched city contracts, insisted on standards in city construction, urged efficiencies in city departments.

The Finance Commission has no power to prosecute grafters, if any. But it has conceived a habit of asking pointed questions that have caused discomfort to certain gentlemen who have made a profit out of the city.

The Finance Commission in 20 years has not yet established Utopia at City Hall. Mr Goodwin may take up the unfinished task with a possible Curley administration. Some Republican politicians who remember Goodwin's 160,000 votes in the last primary campaign for Governor, some judges mentioned by Mr Goodwin in days of yore and some insurance companies that have had to meet Mr Goodwin's campaign for a State automobile insurance fund are prepared to enjoy the show that he puts on in the Finance Commission. They hope he gives it all his talent. It is a five-year job.

# HITS AT G. G. A. IN PROBE OF SCHOOL

## Curley Demands Mansfield Explain Fin. Com. Delay --- Coakley Challenges Rivals on El

BY WILTON VAUGH

Challenging Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield to tell the public why the Finance Commission has withheld its expose of the Hyde Park high school construction probe and to explain the part the Good Government Association played "in this messy case," former Mayor Curley last night turned the "pink tea" radio campaign into a torrid mayoralty debate.

#### REPORT THIS WEEK

Up to the time that the former Mayor tossed his bombshell into the fight towards the close of his radio address last night, the mayoralty campaign failed to arouse much interest. But it was plainly indicated last night that Mansfield resented the insinuations of the Mayor and will return the attack.

For his own part, Chairman John C. L. Dowling of the Finance Commission informed the Post reporter last night that he will make public the report of the Hyde Park High School investigation before Wednesday when he will turn over the office to former Registrar of Motor Vehicles Frank A. Goodwin at the pleasure of Governor Allen.

Mr. Dowling stated that Candidate Mansfield served as counsel for the contractor who built the new high school at Hyde Park, but withdrew as attorney upon announcing his candidacy for Mayor. When leaving during the summer for a trip to Ireland, Attorney Mansfield requested the Finance Commission to delay any action towards stopping city payments to his client until he got back to Boston in September. Chairman Dowling stated.

He stated that Attorney Damon Hall, who succeeded Candidate Mansfield as counsel for Contractor Paul Caputo, requested a short delay so that he might become acquainted with the case and offer some evidence.

#### Three Witnesses Dead

The report which Chairman Dowling promises to make public before he retires will cover an investigation made by the Finance Commission during the past eight months. In that time one of the chief witnesses committed suicide after leaving the stand, another was taken fatally ill while out motoring and a third died suddenly before he could be called to the stand.

Among the witnesses who testified were the members of the Schoolhouse Commission, employees of that department at City Hall, contractors, builders, engineers and many others. It was reported last night that the long-awaited Finance Commission report constitutes a volume of almost 150 pages.

The challenge of former Mayor Curley was made at the second series of radio rallies held last night at station WNAC, where he spoke over the air with Candidates Mansfield and Daniel H. Coakley, each of them spending \$150 for 10 minutes.

To give the "soiree" the old-fashioned touch, a band was included in the programme last night, so that the candidates lacked only the cheers of the crowd and the red fire.

#### Mansfield, Coakley Amiable

Unlike the previous reunion of a week ago, Curley did not encounter Mansfield in the studio last night and he brushed past Coakley without a salute. Coakley and Mansfield, on the other hand, amiably exchanged greetings.

Outside of his reference to the Hyde Park high school scandal, Curley confined his talk to an explanation of the point that "experience and time" are necessary for every important accomplishment. And he recalled his work for the City Hospital expansion programme, the establishment of the health units, the building of the Dorchester rapid transit system, street widenings in all four cardinal directions, Columbus park, the new police headquarters building and the fire alarm signal building, as well as increased pay for 3000 city employees, as "monuments of his administrations," which his opponent had overlooked, he said.

#### Spoke for Smith

Mansfield offered his big gun of the campaign, "Hasn't Curley had enough?" charging that the former Mayor has been a candidate for office for 25 years and charging that he is now "clinging to Governor Smith's coat tails in an effort to ride into the Mayor's chair."

That he was a Smith supporter himself was recalled by Mansfield, who declared that he had appeared on Curley's platform at Young's hotel on Oct. 22, last, to appeal for votes for the standard bearer of Democracy. He charged the former Mayor with offering political posts to his supporters for their assistance in the campaign, but declared that he himself had nothing to offer except the promise of a square deal for everyone, if the voters will support him in his "crusade against the bosses."



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### For Public El Ownership

Candidate Coakley came out flatly for public ownership of the Elevated system and charged both of his opponents with "keeping the public in the dark" regarding this vital question which will appear on the ballot in the form of a referendum at the State election next year.

"The next Mayor of Boston will be the most important individual next year in the fight on the referendum touching public ownership, public control or private ownership of the Elevated system," warned Coakley.

Referring to Mansfield's platform, favoring Diesel engines instead of locomotives so that the railroad tracks entering Boston may be enclosed so that motor traffic highways may be constructed overhead, Coakley said: "Both Diesel engines and enclosed tracks. What the voters want to know is—are you for public ownership or against it?"

"And you, Mr. Curley. Is your electrification speech a cover to conceal your view on public ownership until after election day? Are you tied up in the matter? I'm for public ownership. Where are you?" challenged Coakley, inviting both candidates to state their views on the question on Monday night, Oct. 21, when Coakley will hold a rally at Symphony Hall, where he has defied his two opponents to stand on the same platform and debate with him.

### Hits "Merger"

Referring to their service, Coakley said: Mr. Curley and Mr. Fitzgerald, each alone as Mayor—did very well, thank you!—and are both in the millionaire class. They have now put aside their enmities, their rivalries, their competition and have merged and hope, as Mayor Fitz-Curley or Mayor Curley-Fitz, to improve their present situation. Before the merger, when Mayor Fitzgerald alone and Mayor Curley alone occupied the chair, each sought my advice on difficult municipal problems and I gained valuable experience from them. I was a sort of advisory Mayor to both in all the troublesome and serious attacks on them by the Finance Committee and in the difficulties growing out of those attacks, they sought and took my advice. I carried them through and they were duly grateful and very, very happy—then. So that, on the score of experience, I have the endorsement of ex-Mayor Curley and ex-Mayor Fitzgerald or, if you prefer it that way, of the present composite candidates, ex-Mayors Curley-Fitz."

Discussing the Elevated question, Coakley stated:

"Where are you, Mr. Mansfield, on the transportation problem? That is of the greatest importance to a large majority of Boston voters. I know you, Mr. Mansfield, are in favor of the Diesel engine and covered tracks from Brighton to Boston—you said so in your platform. I live in Brighton and we may get that transportation when my grand-children grow up, but in the language of the song—'how about me'—how about now?"

### "For the Strap Hanger"

"Mr. Curley says electrification of the railroads will help, but young Jim will be Mayor of Boston before that comes about. How about now? The next Mayor will be the most important individual next year in the fight on the referendum touching public ownership, public control or private ownership of the elevated system. Don't let's leave the voters in the dark on our position in that vital matter. I'm for the strap hanger; I'm for public ownership. Private ownership was tried out and failed.

The present public control is no improvement. We were promised better service, better seats, and five-cent fares, but we have neither of them. All promises were broken, and today's service is not only impossible, but disgraceful.

"I'm for public ownership; it's all that's left, and if elected Mayor, I pledge my word to use all the power of that great office and every ounce of energy in favor of the adoption of the referendum for public ownership.

Don't quibble, Mr. Mansfield. Nobody doubts your personal honesty, but it's dishonest not to tell your real position on this vital matter. Both Diesel engines and enclosed tracks. What the voters want to know is—are you for public ownership or against it? And you, Mr. Curley, is your electrification speech a cover to conceal your views on public ownership until after election day? Are you tied up in the matter? I'm for public ownership; where are you?"

### "Has Had Enough"

Recalling Curley's long political life in the Common Council, the Board of Aldermen, in the Legislature, in Congress and in the Mayor's chair for two terms, Candidate Mansfield protested that his chief opponent in the current contest "has had enough."

Again last night he declared that in 1912, Curley refused to support John F. Fitzgerald for another term on the ground "that the people of Boston would not vote to keep anyone in the Mayor's office 10 years or even eight years."

He stated that Theodore Roosevelt and Calvin Coolidge took a stand against a third term and then quoted a news clipping reporting former Governor Smith's address at Tammany Hall, supporting James J. Walker for Mayor against John F. Hylan, who was seeking a third term in 1925.

### Quotes Smith

Reading from the clipping, Mansfield quoted former Governor Smith as follows:

"A question I do not mind discussing with you in a perfectly friendly way, is whether or not any man ought to be Mayor of New York for 12 years. Now, entirely impersonally, and aside from any feeling about it, without reference to any living individual, should anybody be the Mayor for 12 years?"

"Theodore Roosevelt fixed a conception of political ethics for the country when he said that he would not take a third term of the Presidency, and remember that he considered the unexpired term of President McKinley as being his first term, and he stopped at that."

As to the effect of this practice Governor Smith said in conclusion:

"You cannot expect young men to take an interest in government, you cannot expect them to devote their talents and energy to it, if, when starting at the bottom rung of the ladder, they are confronted with the long line of succession at the top to be determined by the incumbent himself."

### "Clinging to Smith"

Insisting that all three Mayorally candidates were Smith supporters in the last Presidential campaign, and charging that Curley was using the Young's Hotel rallies as a stepping stone for a third term at City Hall, Mansfield said:

"Mr. Curley has been clinging to Governor Smith's coat-tails and is attempting to ride into the office as Mayor on Governor Smith's popularity and by raising the false issue that he alone of the three candidates for Mayor supported Governor Smith. The issue is not only false, but the claim is false.

Daniel H. Coakley, one of my opponents in this contest, if my memory serves me correctly, was one of the earliest and most ardent Smith supporters. Mr. Curley supported Smith. So did I. On Oct. 22 I spoke from Mr. Curley's platform in Young's Hotel and my name will be found among the advertised speakers of that day. It is true that Mr. Curley conducted his daily rallies apparently in behalf of Governor Smith, but it is also true that for every word he was saying for Governor Smith he was saying two for himself and it was all part of his campaign to be re-elected Mayor of Boston for a third four-year term."

Former Mayor Curley devoted his 10 minutes on the radio to his record of accomplishments as Mayor of the city, pointing to a long list of improvements to combat the claim of one of his opponents that he had left no memorials.

"It is contended by one individual at the present time," said Curley, "that experience in public life constitutes a disability for intelligent and faithful discharge of public duties and it is further contended that experience is not essential in the consummation of any programme."

Explaining how time is required to carry out plans for the development of the city, he stated that plans drawn up 85 years ago are today "being consciously or unconsciously adopted for the development of Boston."

"Boston next year will observe the Tercentenary of the founding of the city," he said, "and in my opinion, the wisest contribution that can be made would be the enlargement of the City Planning board from its present limited membership to a membership of 300, embracing the ablest minds representative of every element in the community for the immediate consideration of a 50-year planning project."

Pointing out some of the monuments resulting from his comprehensive plan for the improvement of Boston, Curley noted the \$6,000,000 expansion programme at the City Hospital, the building of Health units from the proceeds of the \$6,000,000 George Robert White fund, the \$2,500,000 transformation of the South Boston mud flats into Columbus park, and the \$5,000,000 street widening programme to relieve traffic congestion on Chelsea street to the North, Cambridge street to the West, Tremont street to the South, Kneeland street to the East, and Dock square, Province street and Charles street in the heart of the city.

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# THREE CANDIDATES SPEAK OVER RADIO

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Curley Links Mansfield,  
G. G. A. in School Probe

Mansfield Charges "False Issue"  
—Coakley Questions Both

The feature of the 10-minute radio talks by the three Boston Mayoralty candidates at Station WNAC last night was the move of Ex-Mayor James M. Curley in associating one of his opponents, Frederick W. Mansfield, and the Good Government Association in the investigation of Hyde Park School Building, which Mr Curley styled a "messy case."

"Perhaps my opponent will enlighten the voters," said Mr Curley, "as to why the Finance Commission withheld the report on the investigation of Hyde Park School and what part the Good Government Association is playing in this messy case."

## Coakley's Highlights

The highlights of Daniel H. Coakley's speech were an invitation to Mr Curley and Mr Mansfield to share the platform with him at his "opening rally at Symphony Hall, Oct 21, the coining of the term "Ex-Mayors Curley-Fitz," to describe Mr Curley, and a pledge to favor the adoption of the referendum for public ownership of the Boston Elevated.

In discussing the Elevated, Mr Coakley said:

"Don't quibble, Mr Mansfield. Nobody doubts your personal honesty, but it's dishonest not to tell your real position on this vital matter. Bother Diesel engines and enclosed tracks. What the voters want to know is—are you for public ownership or against it?"

"And you, Mr Curley. Is your electrification speech a cover to conceal your views on public ownership until after election day? Are you tied up in the matter? I'm for public ownership; where are you? Again, I invite both candidates to state their views on this point at Symphony Hall, Oct 21."

## Mansfield's Argument

Mr Mansfield confined his argument to the question, "Hasn't Mr Curley had enough?" In calling the attention of his audience to the views of some important men on the wisdom and propriety of holding public office for a third term, he named Mr Curley himself as his first witness.

"On Nov 29, 1912, when Mr Curley was a candidate for Mayor opposing Mayor Fitzgerald, who was seeking reelection," Mr Mansfield began, "a delegation from the Democratic city committee, comprising the president,

Joseph A. Maynard; Chairman J. P. Clancy of the Ward 15 Democratic committee, and John J. Hoar, chairman of the Ward 26 Democratic committee, requested Mr Curley to withdraw in the interests of harmony as a candidate for Mayor.

"They urged the importance of a united Democracy, which Mr Curley at the present time is harping on so much, and asked Mr Curley to allow Mayor Fitzgerald to be the unopposed candidate for another term.

"Mr Curley told the delegation that their visit to the Tammany Club was distasteful to him, and said that the people of Boston would not vote to keep anyone in the Mayor's office 10 years or even eight years. Mr Maynard replied that Mr Curley could not talk about office-holding records without opening himself to similar criticism."

## Alleges "False Issue"

In quoting authorities in the political world as opposed to third terms, Mr Mansfield mentioned Theodore Roosevelt and Alfred E. Smith. While discussing the latter's views, Mr Mansfield interpolated the observation that Mr Curley is attempting "to ride into the office as Mayor on Gov Smith's popularity and by raising the false issue that he alone of the three candidates for Mayor supported Gov Smith."

In connection with this alleged "false issue," Mr Mansfield said:

"The issue is not only false but the claim is false. Daniel H. Coakley, one of my opponents in this contest, was one of the earliest and most ardent Smith supporters. Mr Curley supported Smith. So did I.

"On Oct 22 I spoke from Mr Curley's platform in Young's Hotel, and my name will be found among the advertised speakers of that day.

"It is true that Mr Curley conducted his daily rallies apparently in behalf of Gov Smith, but it is also true that for every word he was saying for Gov Smith he was saying two for himself, and it was all part of his campaign to be reelected Mayor of Boston for a third four-year term."

## Quotes Smith on Third Term

Mr Mansfield then quoted Ex-Gov Smith's views on third terms as follows:

"He (Mr Smith) was speaking at a meeting in Tammany Hall in New York city on Aug 13, 1925 in the interests of James J. Walker. John F. Hyland, who was Mayor at the time and was a candidate for reelection for a third term of four years, had already held the office for eight years.

"Gov Smith said: 'A question I do not mind discussing with you in a perfectly friendly way is whether or not any man ought to be Mayor of New York for 12 years. Now, entirely impersonally, and aside from any feeling about it, without reference to any living individual, should anybody be the Mayor for 12 years? Theodore Roosevelt fixed a conception of political ethics for the country when he said that he would not take a third term of the Presidency, and remember that he considered the unexpired term of President McKinley as being his first term, and he stopped at that.'"

"Mr Curley," continued Mr Mansfield, "your reply to the committee who waited on you in behalf of Mayor Fitzgerald proves what your true views were and are. You yourself say that you have had enough. Gov Smith, whom you attempt to call to your aid in this campaign, he, too, Mr Curley, says you have had enough.

"I now appeal to you, my radio audience, for aid in my crusade against Mr Curley and his array of bosses. Of course, I cannot and would not, even if I could, make the promises Mr Curley has already made to the bosses

such as a Mayoralty election four years in the future, an election to the office of District Attorney when the term of the present incumbent expires, elections to the School Committee, elections to the City Council, an appointment to the office of Corporation Counsel, Election Commission, and so on down the long list of important public elective and appointive positions."

## Curley's One Thrust

Mr Curley and his friends arrived while Mr Mansfield was speaking in the curtained broadcasting room of the studio. Mr Curley walked into a corridor off the anteroom and waited there. As Mr Mansfield left the broadcasting room by the main door Mr Curley entered the room from a side door. Neither candidate saw the other.

Except for the thrust at Mr Mansfield about the Hyde Park High School Mr Curley's radio speech was a quiet and dignified exposition of his accomplishments while Mayor. Then came the thrust and, in conclusion, a recital by Mr Curley of Rudyard Kipling's

poem "If," which, he said, he commended to "my opponent."

After outlining the history of the Boston City Planning Board, which he said was not given serious consideration or sufficient funds to operate until his first administration in 1914, Mr Curley declared:

"Boston next year will observe the tercentenary of the founding of the city, and in my opinion the wisest contribution that can be made would be the enlargement of the City Planning Board from its present limited membership to a membership of 300, embracing the ablest minds representative of every element in the community for the immediate consideration of a 50-year planning project."

Mr Curley then took up a remark by one of his opponents as to "where are the monuments to Curley's eight years of service as Mayor?" He proceeded to present some of his "monuments."

## Curley's "Monuments"

He mentioned the Boston City Hospital's new group of buildings, first planned at a conference between himself, the trustees, and the staff, in 1922. He said a program was adopted anticipating the requirements of the next quarter century and involving a capital expenditure of \$6,000,000. He next discussed the White health units, then the buildings of the Overseers of the Poor, and next Columbus Park, South Boston.

He said that the Dorchester rapid transit would still be unrealized were it not for an appropriation recommended by him of \$10,500,000. He discussed traffic conditions and mentioned the widenings of Chelsea, Cambridge st, Tremont st, Kneeland st, Dock sq, Province st and Charles st as his work. Other improvements he related were the Columbus Park bathhouse, a fire alarm station, football bleachers at the playgrounds, and Police Headquarters buildings. Finally he spoke of his salary increases to city employees.

As Mr Curley passed through the anteroom on his way out he called "Hello, Dan," at Mr Coakley, who was seated at a table facing Mr Curley. Mr Coakley made no audible reply. He may have nodded. Reporters could not say for sure, for Mr Curley and his friends blocked the view as they walked by.

## Coakley's Address

Mr Coakley began his radio talk by

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remarking that he had so far found "very little interest" in the political campaign. He said he thought the World Series was to blame. He added that he was going to "start" his campaign at his Symphony Hall rally Oct. 21, "when baseball is over."

"I herewith invite Mr Mansfield and Mr Curley to divide the time on the platform Oct 21 with me. During the week P. E. Fardy, my campaign manager, will confer with the managers of both Curley and Mansfield to arrange details.

"Both candidates are trained public speakers and there can be no real reason for refusal by either, save the fear that such a debate would disclose weakness in the tests which, to my mind, should determine this battle. Ability, experience, honesty and position of the real issues of the hour—these are the four essentials.

Mr Coakley said he would concede that all three candidates have equal ability. As for experience, he said, "You don't have to be Mayor to have the experience necessary." He insisted that he had more experience than either of the other candidates.

He promised to tell the story "of the plot to apply the merger principle to the Mayoralty fight in Boston."

### "Mayor Curley-Fitz"

"Mr Curley and Mr Fitzgerald, each alone as Mayor, 'did very well, thank you' and are both in the millionaire class," Mr Coakley continued. "They have now put aside their enmities, their rivalries, their competition, and have merged and hope, as Mayor Fitz-Curley or Mayor Curley-Fitz, to improve their present situation.

"Before the merger, when Mayor Fitzgerald alone and Mayor Curley alone occupied the chair, each sought my advice on difficult municipal problems and I gained valuable experience from them. I was a sort of advisory Mayor to both in all the troublesome and serious attacks on them by the Finance Committee. I carried them through and they were duly grateful and very, very happy—then. So that, on the score of experience, I have the indorsement of Ex-Mayor Curley and Ex-Mayor Fitzgerald or, if you prefer it that way, of the present composite candidate, Ex-Mayor Curley-Fitz."

Honesty, he said, could be tested by the respective records of the candidates, and, as for the fourth essential—"position on the real issues of the hour," Mr Coakley remarked that he would have no platform of the kind Mr Mansfield has. He then challenged his two opponents to state their position on the referendum touching public ownership of the Elevated, saying that the next Mayor will be the most important individual in the fight on this question.

"Don't leave the voters in the dark on our position. I'm for public ownership. Private ownership was tried out and failed. The present public control is no improvement. Today's service is disgraceful. I'm for public ownership, it's all that's left," Mr Coakley said.

## COAKLEY INVITES FOES

### Proposes Joint Debate on Oct. 21 in Symphony Hall

Daniel H. Coakley in his radio talk said in part:

As I go about the city, I find very little interest in the political campaign. Every one save the candidates, it seems to me, is spending his spare time talking of the world series and letting the mayoralty "go hang." So I am going to let the other candidates talk politics against the series next week and begin my campaign a week from Monday, Oct. 21, at Symphony Hall, when baseball is over.

In 10 minutes I can but briefly outline here one of the topics I'll elaborate there. I herewith invite Mr. Mansfield and Mr. Curley to divide the time on the platform Oct. 21 with me. During the week, Mr. P. E. Fardy, my campaign manager, will confer with the managers of both Curley and Mansfield to arrange details. Both candidates are trained public speakers and there can be no real reason for refusal by either, save the fear that such a debate would disclose weakness in the tests which, to my mind, should determine this battle. Ability—experience—honesty—position on the real issues of the hour—these are the four essentials.

In the business world today, in the railroad and the banking world, merger is the order of the day. Everything that's big is getting bigger. Now, nobody believes these mergers are for the benefit of the poor; they are for the benefit of the rich—"for him who has, as against him who has not." At Symphony Hall I'll tell the story of the plot to apply the merger principle to the mayoralty fight in Boston. Mr. Curley and Mr. Fitzgerald, each alone as mayor "did very well, thank you," and are both in the millionaire class. They have now put aside their enmities, their rivalries, their competition and have merged and hope, as Mayor Fitz-Curley or Mayor Curley-Fitz, to improve their present situation.

## CURLEY ANNOUNCES BROTHERHOOD BACKING

Former Mayor Curley announced last night that the International Brotherhood of Railroad Stationmen & Railroad Employees Alliance of North America and the Brotherhood of Railroad Freight & Baggage-men of America, Inc., Alliance of North America had indorsed his candidacy for mayor. The indorsement was voted at the regular quarterly meeting of the organization of which John T. Kelly is president.

## FOR MANSFIELD

### Representative W. P. Hickey Says South Boston Solidly Against Curley—Cites Instances of Alleged Discrimination Against Peninsula District

Representative William P. Hickey of South Boston yesterday made the following statement in regard to his support of Frederick W. Mansfield for Mayor:

"I have represented my district in the House and Senate for 18 years. When I say represented my district, I mean that I have tried faithfully to carry out the wishes of the people.

"I have been all over South Boston within the past month trying to find out the sentiment of the voters. They are in favor of Mansfield as against Curley for Mayor. I do not try to go against the sentiment of the voters as I understand it.

"In this case I most heartily agree with them. They feel, as I do, that Curley has treated South Boston and her people in a shameful manner.

"They cannot forget the terrible slanders he uttered against our late Congressman James A. Gallivan, one of our best loved citizens. They know, as does everybody else, that he tried to defeat South Boston's candidate for district attorney, William J. Foley. They know that he is, today, working to defeat South Boston's two candidates for school committee, Dr. Charles Mackey and Henry Sullivan. They will never forget how he discharged the South Boston women at the L street bath houses and put other women in their places just to show his authority.

### Gasolene Tank Fight

"Everybody in South Boston vividly recalls the fight we had to make in an appeal before State Fire Marshal Neal to keep the Jenney gasolene tanks out of South Boston, after Curley had granted a permit over the protest of everybody in South Boston. Every man in public life in South Boston was with me in that fight to save the home of citizens and the business concerns on the Commonwealth flats. Working men who lost their jobs when the Hersey Company of South Boston lost the city meter contract through Curley who sent it to a concern in Pennsylvania are hardly likely to favor a man for Mayor who takes the bread from their mouths.

"Mayor Peters appropriated a large sum of money for a gymnasium in South Boston. The land was bought and paid for. The minute Curley entered City Hall on his second term as Mayor he made a deal with the Council to have the appropriation put back into the treasury, leaving South Boston with a vacant lot at the corner of C street and Broadway, and no gymnasium. I was on the committee of the South Boston Citizens' Association to wait on Mayor Curley to urge him to reconsider, but all he gave us was the cold shoulder.

"Of course, I sent out the post cards bearing the slogan 'Hasn't Curley Had Enough?' So far as South Boston is concerned eight days of Curley at City Hall would have been enough, to say nothing of eight long years. Mansfield will carry South Boston over Curley. Of that I am absolutely confident."

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# POLITICS AND POLITICIANS

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By JOHN D. MERRILL

The Boston municipal campaign has been thus far very unusual because of the small amount of interest shown by the voters. The election, to be sure, is three weeks in the future, and time still remains for an exciting climax, but up to date there have been no indications of it. This condition is unexpected because two of the candidates, Ex-Mayor James M. Curley and Daniel H. Coakley, have the reputation of being very resourceful and bold in politics, and it has been generally expected that before now they would be going at each other, hammer and tongs. Mr Mansfield has always been more conservative. The politicians are the only ones who talk much about the election; other people have not waked up to the fact that there will soon be one.

Great difference of opinion exists about what will happen on Nov 5. Mr Curley and his supporters express the greatest confidence in his election; on paper at least he has the great advantage of the backing of most of the party leaders, several of whom have been most unfriendly to him in years gone by. His election would be conceded if they had as much prestige, one might almost say authority, as they had a few years ago, but his rivals say there is an undercurrent of opposition to the ex-Mayor which will overcome the influence of the leaders. That is a statement easy to make, but difficult to prove, no matter what the facts are.

Unless conditions change, the vote on election day will be smaller than has been commonly expected. Some thousands of the names dropped off the voting lists since the November election have been restored, or perhaps others have been put in their places, and the total number on the list will doubtless be much larger than it has ever been in a municipal election, out if the public interest is not roused the voting will be light. Such a state of affairs, it is believed, would be helpful to Mr Curley.

The registration of voters for the coming election will end on Wednesday of this week, and it will be possible to know then how the list compares in size with last year's, when all records, not only for registration but also for the number voting, were broken.

The time within which candidates may withdraw their names will expire at 6 p m on Tuesday, Oct 22, and substitutions for candidates who have had committees may be made until 6 o'clock on the next day. No one expects that any of the three candidates for Mayor will retire, but it is possible that some who have qualified for election to the School Committee or the City Council may withdraw. The makeup of the ballot, therefore, will not be determined until Oct 23.

## Boston Finance Commission

Gov Allen's nomination of Frank A. Goodwin to succeed John C. L. Dowling as chairman of the Boston Finance

Commission has caused much more interest and discussion during the past few days than the municipal election. In spite of rumors that Mr Dowling might not be reappointed, most people thought the Governor would probably accede to the wishes of the other members of the commission and of certain "prominent citizens," all of whom urged him to retain Mr Dowling.

Although the story has gone the rounds that Gov Allen intended to nominate Mr Goodwin for some important post, the chairmanship of the Finance Commission was one of the last places in the minds of those who know what is going on at the State House. It is understood that the Governor appreciated Mr Goodwin's attitude in the campaign last Fall, when the latter, after receiving a large vote in the primary, turned to and supported Mr Allen in the election campaign. The Governor would be more than human if, under the circumstances, he did not think well of Mr Goodwin.

Probably no one in Massachusetts is better known, by name at least, than Mr Goodwin. His term of service as State registrar of motor vehicles and the policy he pursued during that period put his name in the newspapers almost every day and often on the front page. If he receives as much publicity while he fills his new office—for there is no reason to doubt that the Executive Council will confirm his nomination—he will accomplish one of the purposes for which the Finance Commission was created, namely to throw light on what goes on at City Hall.

Many expected that John F. Moors and Courtenay Guild, two members of the Finance Commission who worked hard to bring about the renomination of Mr Dowling to the chairmanship of that body, might resign when the Governor sent in Mr Goodwin's name, but they and Mr Lane, another member of the commission, although they issued a statement highly commending the retiring chairman, said they would cheerfully give their best services in support of Mr Goodwin.

There is no question that Messrs Moors and Guild were greatly disappointed by the refusal of Gov Allen to renominate Mr Dowling. It is to their credit that they propose to serve out their terms under the new chairman. Many people would not be willing to do so under the circumstances.

## The Utilities Commission

The statement put out by the State Public Utilities Commission when it refused to permit the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to reduce the par value of its shares from \$100 to \$25 was an interesting document, but doubtless unpleasant reading to the officials of that corporation. The proposed cut in the par value of the stock could have been desired for only one reason, namely, to make it easier to trade in the shares in the Stock Market.

It has been the fashion of late to

reduce par values. Years ago, the par value of the shares of the Pacific Mills in Lawrence was \$1000, but it was subsequently reduced to \$100. Holders of the stock, who had found it difficult to sell their shares as long as the par value was \$1000, were able to dispose of it more or less freely when the par value was cut down, and events have made it appear that some of them improved that opportunity.

There is no evidence that the holders of Edison Electric want to sell their shares to the public, but if that desire was in their minds they cannot now gratify it through a reduction in the par value of the stock.

The statement of the Public Utilities will doubtless act as a bearish influence on the Stock Market price of Edison Electric shares. Indeed, the decline in the shares toward the close of the market on Friday indicated that somebody had obtained a hint about the probable action of the commission. That body said without equivocation that the company must not expect to increase its dividends until it had reduced prices on the electric current it furnishes to the public. It seems clear, therefore, that hope must be deferred in this instance, and it was a hope which was widely cherished.

Critics of the Public Utilities Commission have often said in recent years that that body was friendly to the corporations, but the latest action of the commission—and it is by no means the only one—points in the other direction. Clearly the commission believed the reduction in the price of Edison shares would not be for the interests of the public and for that reason refused to allow the change. Whether the decision was a wise one or not—and there may be difference of opinion on that point—the commission in this matter did not do what the corporation wanted, but made a move which it believed would protect the public.



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# CANDIDATES IN 3-CORNER CLASH

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Mansfield Asks if Curley  
Has Not Had Enough—  
Latter Hits G. G. A.

## COAKLEY INVITES BOTH TO DEBATE

By CHARLES A. COYLE

In 10-minute radio addresses from station WNAC last night, Boston's three mayoral candidates participated in their second radio rally in which Frederick W. Mansfield quoted many prominent men to back up his contention that Curley has had enough. Curley questioned the part played by the Good Government Association in the Hyde Park high school investigation "mess" and Coakley challenged his two opponents to a public debate in Symphony hall on Oct. 21.

Mansfield, the first to go on the air confined his entire speech to arguments as to why Curley should not be re-elected because of the length of time he has held office. He quoted at length from Gov. Smith, Calvin Coolidge, Theodore Roosevelt to back up his contention that Curley's eight years as mayor of Boston was enough.

He intimated that Curley has promised his aid to candidates for the city council and the school committee in return for their aid in his candidacy and that he had promised important appointive offices to certain men in return for their aid in this campaign. At the same time he declared that he had made no promises and if elected would be free from outside control.

Curley, the second speaker, caused a great deal of speculation when he asked Mansfield to enlighten the voters "as to why the finance commission withheld the report on the investigation of Hyde Park high school and what part the Good Government Association is playing in this messy case."

It was announced later by a Curley supporter that the former mayor had reference to the fact that Mansfield had acted as counsel for Paul Caputo, the contractor who built the school which the finance commission recently investigated and on which a report is expected this week.

Mansfield, it is reported, resigned as counsel for the contractor on the day he announced his entry into the mayoral fight, and Caputo has since retained another attorney to represent him.

Referring to Mansfield as "the advocate of short-time service," Curley used most of his allotted time in answering the question asked by Mansfield at a rally last week, "Where are the monuments to Curley's eight years of service as mayor?"

He declared that he was responsible in a great measure for the present City Hospital program of development and stated that the George Robert White fund program of the erection of health units in the congested sections of the city was started by him in 1922. The Dorchester rapid transit program, which is rapidly nearing completion, was made possible by him, he declared, when he recommended an appropriation of

## SAYS HE HAD ENOUGH

Mansfield Cites Noted Persons on  
Issue of Third Terms

Frederick W. Mansfield, in his radio talk, said in part:

In this, my second radio address to the voters of Boston, I intend to confine my remarks entirely to this important question: Hasn't Mr. Curley had enough?

I wish to call to your attention the views of some important men on the wisdom and propriety of holding public office for a third term. I also wish to call your attention to the utterances of other men not so important on the same subject.

We are all familiar with the views of Theodore Roosevelt on the third term. We know that he took a decided stand against it.

We know the views of our own Calvin Coolidge who refused a third term as President. But now I wish to call as the last and most important witness on this point, Gov. Alfred E. Smith of New York. Mr. Curley has been clinging to Gov. Smith's coat tails and is attempting to ride into the office as mayor on Gov. Smith's popularity and by raising the false issue that he alone of the three candidates for mayor supported Gov. Smith. The issue is not only false but the claim is false. Mr. Curley supported Smith. So did I.

Here is what Gov. Alfred E. Smith—and I quote from the N. Y. Times—had to say on this subject of long terms in office:

"A question I do not mind discussing with you in a perfectly friendly way, is whether or not any man ought to be mayor of New York for 12 years.

"Now, entirely impersonally and aside from any feeling about it, without reference to any living individual, should anybody be the mayor for 12 years?"

"Theodore Roosevelt fixed a conception of political ethics for the country when he said that he would not take a third term of the presidency, and remember that he considered the unexpired term of President McKinley as being his first term, and he stopped at that."

As to the effect of this practice, Gov. Smith said in conclusion:

"You cannot expect young men to take an interest in government, you cannot expect them to devote their talents and energy to it, if, when starting at the bottom rung of the ladder, they are confronted with this long line of succession at the top to be determined by the incumbent himself."

Theodore Roosevelt, a great American, says, Mr. Curley, you have had enough. Calvin Coolidge, who respected the traditions of his country, says, Mr. Curley, that you have had enough. And Gov. Alfred E. Smith, whom you attempt to call to your aid in this campaign, he, too, Mr. Curley, says you have had enough.

It rests with you, the citizens of Boston, to confirm the unanimous opinion of all of the witnesses quoted. It remains for you on Nov. 5 to end the ambitious political career of Mr. Curley. It remains for you, too, to say that he has had enough.

## CURLEY CITES RECORD

Lists "Monuments" to Eight Years  
Of Service as Mayor

James M. Curley said in his radio address:

It is contended by one individual at the present time that experience in public life constitutes a disability for intelligent and faithful discharge of public duties and it is further contended that it is not an essential in the consummation of any program.

The other evening when the advocate of short time service spoke over this radio station he asked: "Where are the monuments to Curley's eight years of service as mayor?" The list is of such length that it is impossible to present more than a small portion of those monuments. Briefly, however, I shall outline a few:

The most important feature of city life is the protection of public health. The Boston City Hospital is at present completing a group of buildings the plans for the erection of which were first considered at a conference between the trustees, the staff, and myself in 1922, seven years ago. I take a personal pride in the maternity building in which provision has been made for the care and treatment of 100 expectant mothers, without charge.

One of the most valued benefactions enjoyed by the people of Boston is known as the George Robert White fund health units, started by me in 1922, and this program of preventive medicine conducted through the instrumentality of the George Robert White fund health units will not be completed until 1931, or a period of nine years. The first experiment in preventive medicine through co-ordination of health agencies had its beginning during my first administration in 1916, at the old Blossom street gymnasium.

Dorchester Rapid Transit, the dream of the late Charles Ufford, for 25 years, would still be unrealized were it not for an appropriation recommended by me of \$10,500,000 to provide adequate rapid transportation to the great Dorchester section and this work on completion will represent 30 years of planning and labor.

## TRAFFIC PROBLEM

One of Boston's most serious problems, the traffic, I at least made a start in the providing of an intelligent solution in the widening of Chelsea street to the north, Cambridge street to the west, Tremont street to the south, Kneeland street to the east, and Dock square, Province street and Charles street in the heart of the city. These widenings represent an expenditure in excess of five millions of dollars.

The new bathhouse at the Columbus park, with permanent bleachers of concrete and steel sufficient to accommodate 50,000 persons upon the playgrounds of the city, a fire alarm station—the finest in the world, a police headquarters—the equal of any to be found in the world. These are a few of the monuments that one of my opponents recently said had not existed.

Perhaps my opponent will enlighten the voters as to why the finance commission withheld the report on the investigation of Hyde Park high school and what part the Good Government Association is playing in this messy case.

# SPARKS FLY AS MAYORALTY 3 TALK ON RADIO

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Curley Tells of 'Monuments to  
His Service at Hall';  
Hits at Mansfield

## LATTER STRIKES BACK

Coakley Says There Is Plot  
to Apply Merger Idea in  
Local Politics

Winding up a 10-minute speech on the radio last night, James M. Curley called upon Frederick W. Mansfield, his opponent in the mayoralty race, to inform the public why the Finance Commission withheld the report of the investigation of the Hyde Park high school.

He also demanded that Mansfield explain "what part the Good Government Association played in this messy case."

The three candidates, Curley, Mansfield and Daniel H. Coakley, divided a half-hour at WNAC broadcasting station.

Curley's remarks were confined chiefly to a description of "the monuments to his eight years of service as mayor."

### FOR PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

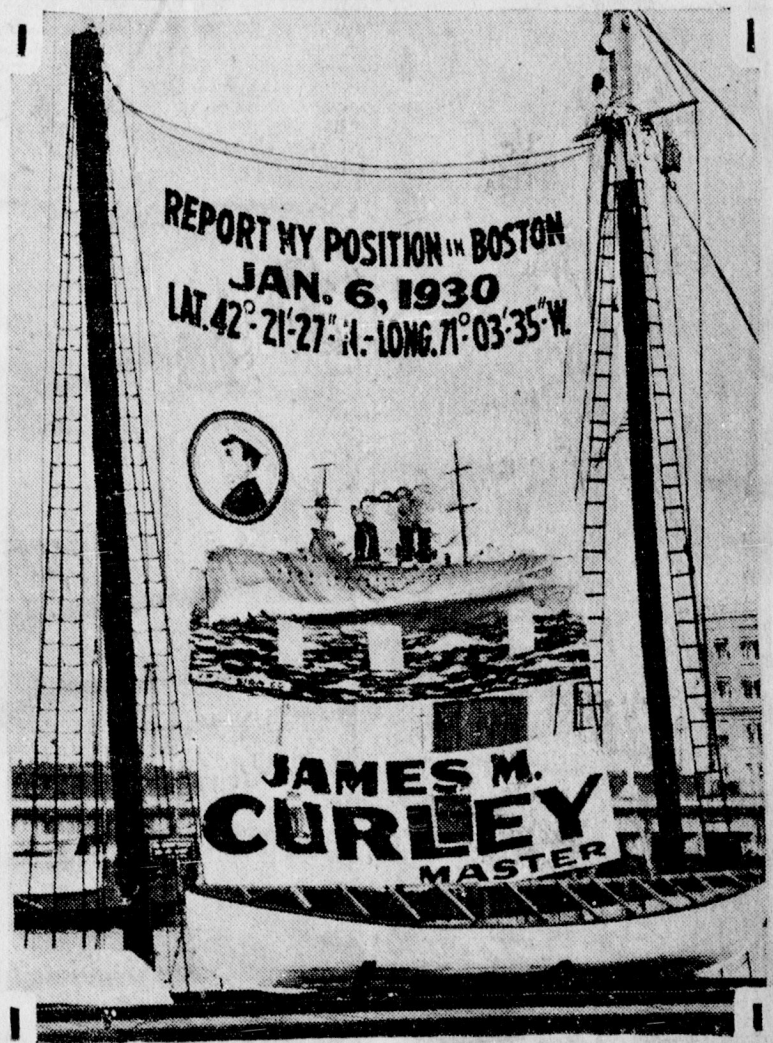
Mansfield spoke strictly on the subject: "Hasn't Mr. Curley Had Enough?" Coakley, inviting both his opponents to divide the Symphony Hall platform with him on October 21, announced himself in favor of public ownership of the Boston Elevated.

"Boston next year will observe the tercentenary of the founding of the city," said Curley, "and in my opinion the wisest contribution that can be made would be the enlargement of the City Planning Board from its present limited membership to a membership of 300, embracing the ablest representatives of every element in the community for the immediate consideration of a 50-year planning project."

As monuments to his terms in office he pointed to the Maternity building of the City Hospital, the George Robert White Fund health units, the new home for the Overseers of the Poor, Columbus Park, South Boston; his recommendation of \$10,500,000 for Dorchester rapid transit, widening of many traffic arteries at a cost of \$5,000,000, and increases in salary for school teachers, policemen and city laborers.

Quoting several excerpts from speeches of the past, Mansfield declared:

## Curley Banner Afloat



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**A CURLEY-FOR-MAYOR banner now floats from the good ship Harvard, tied up at a South Boston pier. The Harvard is owned by former Deputy Sheriff Michael McDonough. When Mr. Curley was in Congress, he made it possible to have Mr. McDonough appointed as head of the lifesaving service in the Port of Boston. As his contribution to Mr. Curley in his mayoralty campaign, Mr. McDonough rigged up his boat as shown in the photograph.**

"Theodore Roosevelt, a great American, says, Mr. Curley, that you have had enough. Calvin Coolidge, who respected the traditions of his country, says, Mr. Curley, that you have had enough. And Gov. Alfred E. Smith, whom you attempt to call to your aid in this campaign, he, too, Mr. Curley, says you have had enough."

### COAKLEY HITS "MERGERS"

"It rests with the citizens of Boston on November 5 to end the ambitious political career of Mr. Curley. It remains for you, too, to say that he has had enough."

Speaking of mergers in banking and big business, Coakley declared:

"Everything that's big is getting bigger. At Symphony Hall, I'll tell the plot to apply the merger principle to the mayoralty fight in Boston."

"Mr. Curley and Mr. Fitzgerald are both in the millionaire class. They have now put aside their enmities, their rivalries, their competition and have merged, and hope as Mayor Fitz-Curley, or Mayor Curley-Fitz, to improve their present situation."

Stating that he had no platform but that he was for public ownership of the Elevated, Coakley demanded: "Where are you, Mr. Mansfield on the transportation problem?"



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## COAKLEY SAYS STAND ON "L" IS APPROVED

Declares New Support Has  
Come to Him Through It

Declaring that subsequent to his radio address of Saturday evening, in which he came out unqualifiedly for public ownership of the Elevated, he had received enthusiastic offers of added support, Daniel H. Coakley addressed a number of workers at his Brighton headquarters yesterday.

Mr Coakley said that the Elevated situation is one issue in the Mayoralty campaign which the voters can understand, as 90 percent of the voters are patrons of the road. "The campaign has awakened at least," he said, "It is quite evident that public ownership of the Elevated will be the one dominating issue of the Mayoralty contest.

"Where does the next Mayor of Boston stand with regard to the Boston Elevated? That is the issue. I am in favor of the strap-hanger. I am for public ownership. I am against private ownership. I am against public control which guarantees the stockholders against loss, puts a 10-cent fare on the people, and gives them in return the most abominable transportation service to be found in any big municipality in the country.

"The voters know the disgraceful conditions at Park st, Dudley st, Sullivan sq, and on every crowded line in Boston during the rush hours, when human beings are treated worse than cattle and respectable young girls are subjected to insults. I want the strap-hangers to get seats. The voters know where Coakley stands. How about the other two candidates?"

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# ASPIRANTS FOR MAYOR ALL ACTIVE

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## Three Make Speeches in Many Boston Districts

Frederick W. Mansfield trained his campaign guns on the past administration of former Mayor James M. Curley in several addresses yesterday, accusing him of granting a permit for a garage at Mission Hill, Roxbury, which he termed a "death trap," over the protests of the people in the district.

### WOMEN FOR CURLEY

A statement was issued from the Curley mayoralty camp in the form of a letter from the head of the Women's Better Government League, setting forth that the executive committee of this organization had endorsed Mr. Curley's candidacy. In an address before the St. Brendan Society, yesterday afternoon, the former Mayor declared that he can be relied upon to have a statue erected to Commodore John Barry if he is elected Mayor next month.

Daniel H. Coakley, the third candidate for Mayor in the field, again stated yesterday that he was for public ownership of the Boston Elevated and asked his opponents where they stood on this live issue.

In reference to Mr. Curley's radio address last Saturday, in which he asked Mr. Mansfield why the Finance Commission had withheld its expose of the Hyde Park High School construction probe, Mr. Mansfield's comment was: "Has the report been withheld?" and "I should think the Finance Commission would be the people to make an answer if one is necessary."

### Has Busy Day

Candidate Mansfield was active yesterday addressing the Society of the Duke of Abruzzi in East Boston, the Syrian organization of St. John Damascus on Hudson street, South End, and a meeting of Spanish War Veterans' Widows in the Back Bay. He also announced that the Ward 2 Mansfield for Mayor Club had been organized with Arthur V. Sullivan as president.

Beside the garage at Mission Hill,

Mr. Curley was also scored by Mr. Mansfield for attempting to erect large gasoline storage plants in South Boston. He charged that the Health Units would be erected in the city no matter who was the chief executive, and he stated that George E. Phelan, manager of the White Fund, was a resident of Concord when he was appointed by Mr. Curley to this position.

Mr. Coakley in addressing a group of workers at his headquarters in Brighton declared: "I am in favor of public ownership of the Elevated and as Mayor of Boston I will work to bring about this solution of the biggest problem Boston is facing. It affects the welfare of every family in the city. Let us forget about monuments to somebody's personal pride, erected in every case at the expense of the citizens, and get down to business. The voters know the disgraceful conditions at Park street, Dudley street, Sullivan square and on every crowded line in Boston during rush hours when human beings are treated worse than cattle."

### Curley Promises Monument

At his address before the St. Brendan Society at 1651 Washington street, South End, Mr. Curley stated that it was only fitting that a monument should be erected to Commodore John Barry, father of the American navy, in the city from which he started out on all his voyages. He said that such a memorial should be erected during the Tercentenary celebration next year and he agreed, if elected Mayor, to do all in his power to further this project.

Dr. Helen I. Doherty, chairman of the executive committee of the Women's Better Government League, addressed a letter to 3000 women yesterday, stating that the organization would maintain headquarters at the Statler Hotel during the campaign.

"In accordance with the purpose of the organization," the letter stated, "the executive committee voted unanimously to endorse the candidacy of former Mayor James M. Curley in the present municipal campaign. His record is known to all and his accomplishments in office have demonstrated his interest in civic matters so vital to women voters. From now until Tuesday, Nov. 5, members of this league will devote themselves wholeheartedly to the election of James M. Curley as Mayor of our city."

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## HUB WOMEN'S LEAGUE OUT 10/14 FOR CURLEY

Three thousand letters were sent out by the Women's Better Government League of Boston yesterday announcing endorsement and support of former Mayor James M. Curley.

Headquarters of the league will be at the Hotel Statler at the Arlington st. entrance.

A whirlwind windup of the mayoralty campaign was started last night by the Curley forces with "old-time rallies" at the Day Sq. Theater, East Boston, and Vine st. Municipal Building, Roxbury.

CR20BE 10/14/29

## MANSFIELD ASSAILS POLICIES OF CURLEY 10/14 Recalls Gas Tank Permit Granted in South Boston

Ex-State Treas Frederick W. Mansfield, candidate for Mayor, speaking yesterday before the Society of the Duke of Abruzzi at Progress Hall, East Boston, the St John of Damascus Society at 68 Hudson st, and the Spanish War Veterans' Widows, again attacked his opponent, Ex-Mayor James M. Curley, for granting a permit for a garage near the Mission Hill School against the protests of the Mission Hill residents, including the priests of the Mission Church.

He also attacked Mr Curley on the grounds that the Ex-Mayor permitted, through a ruling of his Street Commissioner, a permit to be granted for a 3,000,000-gallon gasoline storage permit in South Boston, which permit was subsequently overruled by State Fire Marshal Neal.

Mr Mansfield then questioned Mr Curley's propriety of including the White health units as "one of the monuments" of his administration on the grounds that the White Fund provided that units should be established throughout the city no matter who is Mayor.

Mansfield next charged that Curley had appointed a nonresident to be in charge of the White Fund, though he admitted that this man is now a Boston voter. He also questioned Mr Curley's propriety in appointing another nonresident, Mr Hersey of the State of Maine, to the position of purchasing agent during his administration.

TRANSCRIPT 10/14/29

### Brilliant Climax of Day 10/14

The dinner, under the auspices of the Central Committee of the Associated Polish Societies of Boston proved a brilliant climax to the day's observance. A framed picture of Gen Pulaski, in the Colonial uniform in which he died, was hung behind the head table, which was graced by the presence of distinguished men of the State.

Besides Gov and Mrs Allen, there were also Lieut Gov William S. Youngman, B. Loring Young, who presided as toastmaster; Mgr Richard J. Haberman, personal representative of Cardinal O'Connell; Brig Gen Meriwether Walker, representing the United States Army; Eliot Wadsworth, representing the city of Boston; Congressman John J. Douglas representing the Nation; Frederick W. Mansfield, president of the Massachusetts Bar Association; ex-Mayor James M. Curley, and others.

Rev Ladislaus A. Sikora, St Mary's Church, West End, chairman of the committee, opened the meeting, and introduced Mr Young as toastmaster.



HERALD 10/14/29

# FITZ TO STUMP WITH CURLEY

Former Rivals Will Appear  
In East Boston and  
Roxbury Tonight

## MANSFIELD RENEWS ATTACK ON EX-MAYOR

The announcement by former Mayor James M. Curley that he and former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald will take the stump together tonight, a blistering attack on Curley by Frederick W. Mansfield for the "Mission hill death trap" and the declaration by Daniel H. Coakley that he favors public ownership of the Boston Elevated, were the developments yesterday in the three-cornered fight for mayor.

Mr. Curley and Mr. Fitzgerald will speak at the Day square theatre in East Boston and at the Vine street municipal building in Roxbury, in the heart of the former mayor's Tammany ward.

Taking up the "monument" controversy which he started when he asked former Mayor Curley to name some monuments established by him in his eight years of service, Mr. Mansfield said yesterday that there is "but one monument, the Mission hill death trap that Mr. Curley granted a permit for against the wishes and protests of all the people of the Mission hill district, including the good Fathers of the Mission Church."

### "FLAMING TORCH"

"When one of the clergy of the Mission Church led the protest he was informed by Mr. Curley to attend to church affairs and that he would look after city affairs," Mr. Mansfield said.

"Mr. Curley did not refer in his address to another monument that he attempted to erect in thickly-settled South Boston when he tried to place his 'flaming torch' of a 3,000,000-gallon gasoline permit. Were it not for the uprising of the people of South Boston and the clergy carrying their fight to Fire Marshal Neal at the State House, who overruled Curley's street commissioner's ruling granting this permit, South Boston today would have another of Curley's monuments.

"The only monument that will stand out like a sore thumb with regard to the George White fund and your connection with it as mayor was the appointment of a man at the highest salary in your gift to take charge of the White fund—a man who was a non-resident of Boston, whom you imported from Concord, Mass. This man I understand has recently become a Boston voter.

### "ANOTHER NON-RESIDENT"

"With reference to your appointment of this man you also appointed another non-resident, Mr. Hersey of the state of Maine, to the position of purchasing agent, a position made vacant when your purchasing agent, Frank Rock, a member of your Tammany Club, so sud-

denly resigned his high-salaried position in the city's service. Is this the reason why Boston needs Curley?"

Mr. Mansfield spoke yesterday at the Society of the Duke of Abbruzzi, a benefit society in Progress hall, East Boston, at St. John of Aamascus, a Syrian organization at 68 Hudson street, and before a meeting of Spanish war veterans' widows. He announced that the ward 2 Mansfield Club for mayor had been organized in Charlestown with Arthur V. Sullivan, president and William J. Canity, secretary. He will speak at rallies at Lincoln hall, Lincoln street, Brighton, ward 23 and the Washington-Allston school, Allston, ward 21, this evening.

### CURLEY SEES VICTORY

Mr. Curley yesterday announced a "straw vote" which he says indicates that he will receive 117,600 votes, Frederick W. Mansfield 49,200 and Daniel H. Coakley 12,600 in the contest for mayor.

The poll of voters was taken by Boston College students, the former mayor says, and he is allowing for a total vote of 60 per cent., or 184,000.

Voters were polled at Dudley Street terminal, Roxbury; City square, Charlestown; Market square, Brighton; Andrew square, South Boston; Central square, East Boston and Ward 4, city.

Curley said yesterday that he is spending most of his time aiding the drive for registration of voters. He said that he will make radio addresses tonight, tomorrow and Wednesday evenings urging registration.

Cong. John J. Douglass will speak at the East Boston affair and Asst. Dist.-Atty. Daniel J. Gillen at Roxbury. At the Curley Women's headquarters, 19 Beacon street, today Cong. Douglass, Asst. Dist.-Atty. Vincent Brogna, Mrs. Jeremiah J. Hurley and Dr. Helen I. Doherty will be the speakers.

The former mayor announced yesterday that he has been endorsed by the Women's Better Government League. The league has opened headquarters at the Statler Hotel, Arlington street entrance.

### COAKLEY FOR STRAP-HANGER

Speaking to a group of workers at his Brighton headquarters, Mr. Coakley said in part:

"Last evening, after my radio address in which I declared unqualifiedly for public ownership of the Boston Elevated system, and all day today, I have received the most enthusiastic offers of added support from every section of the city. The campaign has waked up, at last. It is quite evident that public ownership of the 'L' will be the one dominating issue of the mayoralty contest.

"Where does the next mayor of Boston stand with regard to the Boston Elevated? That is the issue. I am in favor of the strap-hanger. I am for public ownership. I am against private ownership. I am against public control that guarantees the stockholders against loss; that puts a 10-cent fare onto the people and gives them in return the most abominable transportation service of any big municipality in the country.

"This is an issue the voters can understand. Ninety per cent. of them are patrons of the Elevated. They know the disgraceful conditions at Park street, Dudley street, Sullivan square and on every crowded line in Boston during the rush hours. I am in favor of the strap-hangers. Where do you stand on this live issue, Mr. Curley? Where do you stand on this issue, Mr. Mansfield?"

AMERICAN 10/14/29

# DOUGLAS HITS MANSFIELD

Congressman John J. Douglass, speaking to more than 200 women Democrats at their noon rally in Beacon st. headquarters today, attacked the Good Government Association and its aims and charged that Frederick W. Mansfield was "the Good Government Republican candidate, whatever else he calls himself."

He called upon Mansfield to publicly deny he is the nominee of the Goo-Gos.

"Twenty years ago the Republican party, with the aid of a Republican Legislature, framed the Boston city charter, so-called," Congressman Douglass said. "Theoretically it was a move for good government; practically it was a scheme of the Republicans to control the Democratic city of Boston."

"This year they could not get a number of Democrats to run for mayor because of the feeling that was aroused at the Smith rallies last year, under the leadership of James M. Curley, and which feeling was manifested at the polls by a majority of more than 90,000 votes for Governor Smith.

"They know they could not put up a Republican for election as mayor, so we might as well face the facts. Mr. Mansfield was chosen. He says he is a Democrat, but he really is the Good Government Republican nominee. The aim of that association is to disrupt the Democratic party in Boston and to take over the operation of the municipality.

"In this contest we are all together for James M. Curley. This is not only his campaign for mayor, but is the campaign of the Democratic party to retain control of the city."

HERALD 10/15/29

# East Boston Gives Curley and Fitzgerald Warm Welcome

Mansfield, at Brighton Rallies, Tells Audiences About "Wandering Minstrel Boy"

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Former Mayor James M. Curley with former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald by his side was accorded a great reception in East Boston last night when he opened his campaign in the Day Square Theatre before a crowd that filled every available inch of space with hundreds outside listening through the amplifiers.

He reviewed the accomplishments made in the section during his last administration and declared that he spent on the average of \$2,000,000 each year there for improvements, at the same time attacking former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield for his lack of knowledge in municipal affairs.

Following his announcement that the street commissioners had rejected the application of the Boston Port Development Company to store 90,000,000 gallons of gasoline in the Orient Heights section of the district, the cheering made it necessary to suspend the meeting for several minutes.

While the former mayor was being greeted enthusiastically, Mansfield at his rallies was inviting former Mayor Fitzgerald to share the platform at his meetings tonight in Neponset and at Meeting House Hill and inform the voters of that section why he had joined the Curley cause after he had condemned Curley so viciously four years ago.

Mansfield referred to Fitzgerald as "the minstrel boy who at this moment is putting on his song and dance act for Big Boss Jim," and his sally brought forth cheers and laughter.

## "STILL HOLDS TRUE"

"What the 'minstrel boy' said of 'Big Boss Jim' four years ago still holds true," the former state treasurer said. "He charged him then over his own signature with shutting off the water on poor families in hot weather because of failure of landlords to pay their water bills. He reminded the voters then that Curley had said he would resign if he did not secure a 5-cent fare and declared then that Curley had become an ardent advocate of a 10-cent fare and poor service.

"Why the sudden change of heart on the part of the 'Minstrel Boy'? Why such apparent humiliation? Because 'Big Boss Jim' has promised to make him Governor of the state next year under the slogan, 'Massachusetts Needs Fitzgerald.'"

George E. Phelan, manager of the George Robert White fund last night declared that the statement credited to Mansfield to the effect that Curley was not responsible for the George Robert White health units program adopted in 1922 and still in force "was made either without a knowledge of the facts or, to use a more harsh term, as a deliberate falsehood."

It was on the suggestion of the former mayor, acting as the first chairman of the fund, that the present health units program was adopted in the hope of bettering living and health conditions in the congested districts, Phelan declared.

Congressman John J. Douglas who presided at the rally in East Boston was the principal speaker at the noon-day rally of Curley women at their headquarters at 19 Beacon street yesterday. He declared that while Mansfield declares he is a Democrat he is really "the Good Government Republican nominee."

The aim of the Good Government Association is to disrupt the Democratic party in Boston," he said, "and so whatever he calls himself he is practically the Republican candidate for mayor."

Former Mayor Curley told the crowd of East Boston men and women who listened at his opening rally, last night, that he had been so busy in the work of registration that he has had little opportunity to give either time or thought to the mayoralty election.

"I note however," he said, "that it is not lacking in humor. For example, I noticed a large transparency in Central square, reading 'Let an East Boston boy Build the Tunnel,' notwithstanding the fact that the Governor has already appointed four of the five members of the metropolitan transit commission.

"Under the law the mayor of Boston will have the appointment of but one member of that commission. The metropolitan transit commission as proposed by this legislative enactment will have charge of the building of the tunnel. I would suggest to my opponent that he will avoid being the target for ridicule which would be a great reflection upon one who styles himself a 'Big Man' unless this banner is removed at an early date since neither he nor myself will have much to say with reference to the building of the tunnel; provided the former secretary of the Good Government Association influences the council to accept the legislative act providing for a metropolitan transit commission.

## MANSFIELD'S SPEECH

Speaking at his rallies in Allston and Brighton last night, Mr. Mansfield said in part:

"Four years ago John F. Fitzgerald sent a campaign circular to every voter in the Dorchester district in which he declared that if Glynn was elected Curley would run the administration in such a manner as to secure his own election in 1929, thus making possible 16 years of Curley. He urged the voters

to vote for another candidate and declared that in his candidate's election the people of the city would get honesty and efficiency at City Hall, something that was very much needed there.

"Even now while I am speaking, the 'Minstrel Boy' is putting on his song and dance act for Big Boss Jim in East Boston. The same man who four years ago informed the voters of Dorchester in a letter signed by him that Curley policies in Dorchester resulted in dirty streets, uncollected garbage and ashes, neglected playgrounds and beaches, causing many accidents and deaths, is now carrying the Curley banner. Two lovely berries on a single stem.

"What is the answer? The millionaire 'Minstrel Boy' and his arrogant employer who insists on flaunting his insulting banners that Boston 'Needs' him, are anxious to once again get control of City Hall patronage and the spending of over \$100,000,000 of the people's money during the next four years.

## MAYORAL CANDIDATES TO SPEAK TONIGHT

John F. Fitzgerald Will Be Heard at Two Curley Rallies

Rallies will be conducted tonight by Herbert W. Mansfield and former Mayor James M. Curley. Mansfield will hold rallies in Lincoln hall, Lincoln street, North Brighton, and in the Washington Allston school, Cambridge street, Allston. Atty. William J. Donahue will preside at the North Brighton rally and Albert Crosley at the other.

Curley rallies will be held in the Day Square Theatre, East Boston, and the Vine street municipal building, Roxbury. Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald will speak at both.

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Political Advertisement

**MANSFIELD**

10/14 Speaks

**Tonight—8 P. M.**

**Washington-Allston School**  
Allston, Ward 21

**Lincoln Hall, Lincoln St.**  
North Brighton, Ward 22

Council, School Committee Candidates Invited

**JOHN F. McCARTHY,**  
9 Lenoxdale St., Dorchester

**Hasn't Curley Had Enough?**



TRAVELER 10/15/29

## DORCHESTER TO HEAR MANSFIELD

10/15

Mayoralty Candidate to  
Have Three Rallies  
There Tonight

Frederick W. Mansfield, former state treasurer, will carry his fight against James M. Curley in the old home territory of John F. Fitzgerald in a series of three rallies tonight.

The first will be held at Mather school, Meeting House Hill, at which John A. Dorsey, president of the Meeting House Hill Co-operative Bank, will preside. Mansfield then goes to the Minot school on Neponset avenue, where Daniel Flynn is to preside, and then to Old-Timers' hall, 1436 Dorchester avenue, where Michael Looney will have charge.

GLOBE 10/15/29

## COAKLEY SAYS POLL

10/15 GIVES LEAD TO HIM

Claims 37 of 100 Women  
Asked Support Him

The results of a poll on the Mayoralty situation among 100 registered women voters by canvassers for Daniel H. Coakley, candidate for Mayor, were given out last night by Mr Coakley to his campaign workers.

He said that four canvassers, working Sunday and yesterday, turned in reports on four blocks of 25 women each. "In Allston," he said, "the poll was Coakley 12, Mansfield 7, Curley 6; in South Boston, Coakley 7, Mansfield 10, Curley 8; in Charlestown, Coakley 9, Mansfield 9, Curley 7; in Fields Corner, Coakley 9, Mansfield 7, Curley 9. The total vote was Coakley 37, Mansfield 33, Curley 30."

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## CURLEY WIRES JOY

10/15 TO CONNIE MACK

Former Mayor Curley last night wired the following message of congratulation to "Connie" Mack and his world champions:

Connie Mack, Manager,  
Philadelphia Athletics Baseball Club,  
Shibe Park, Philadelphia, Penn.

"Dear Mr. Mack:

"Kindly accept my hearty congratulation upon the great victory of the Philadelphia Athletics in the World's Series. After 15 years of determined effort you have developed one of the greatest baseball clubs in the history of our national game and every good sportsman in the United States will pay you deserved tribute. Disappointment did not hinder your effort and your eventual success is typical of those who have made our country what it is today. Kindest personal regard.

(Signed) "JAMES M. CURLEY."

GLOBE 10/15/29

## NEW G. G. A. APPEAL SCORED BY CURLEY

He Reads Letter Asking  
Funds to Beat Him

Also Gives South End Audience  
Answer of Guy Currier

Charging that the Good Government Association is employing a new method of attack to defeat him because their plea of past years is falling on barren ground, Ex-Mayor James M. Curley at a well-attended rally in the South End Municipal Building last night read an appeal for funds from a letter for the Mansfield-for-Mayor campaign, and an answer from Guy Currier, extolling Mr Curley.

Mr Curley said that in previous contests and in this contest, at the outset, the plea was that their candidate for the Mayor's office should be supported because of the desire to promote honest and efficient government. "This plea," he said, "has been sufficient in the past to prompt partisan Republicans and gullible Democrats to contribute liberally to the funds of the Good Government Association."

He added that apparently the demand for the defeat of Curley because of his discharge of the duties of Mayor and because of his ability, character and capacity have failed. As a result, he said, "gullible citizens of both parties are addressed as follows:

RECORD 10/15/29

## CURLEY BRINGS TIDINGS OF BAN ON "OIL FARM"

Rejection by the Board of Street Commissioners of the East Boston "oil farm," which brought a storm of protest from residents of that district, was announced to the residents of East Boston last night by former Mayor James M. Curley.

"To the good people of East Boston who so loyally supported me in every campaign, I bring glad tidings that the Boston Board of Street Commissioners have rejected the application for an oil tank farm."

Speaking in the East Boston district, Curley reviewed his record of improvements for the section and stated that despite the fact that a Good Government Association mayor has increased the cost of government, \$50,000,000 "no Good Government monuments can be found in East Boston."

A statement from George E. Phelan, manager of the Robert White fund, points out that Curley was responsible for the "health unit" program under that fund, which it is said Frederick W. Mansfield stated was not so.

"We feel that business men who can afford to do so should contribute substantially to the Mansfield-for-Mayor campaign in order to defeat Curley. I think that Republicans and Democrats should be equally interested in seeing Curley defeated because it is well known that, should he be elected Mayor, he aspires to higher political office later on. Accordingly, we feel that the time to check his political progress is now. I hope very much that you will want to contribute a substantial sum."

Mr Currier's reply said:

"I cannot make any political contributions because I hold two appointive offices—as a trustee of the Public Library and as a member of the port authority. Neither carries any pay or perquisites, but—holding them—I think there is an impropriety in contributing. Moreover, I do not feel any alarm at the prospect of Curley's election. I have come into close contact with Curley, only in one relation. I was trustee of the Public Library during the whole of his last term as Mayor. The library spends more than \$1,000,000 a year of the city's money and has several hundred employees in the central building and 38 branches. Curley never tried to influence the trustees in the letting of a single contract, nor to interfere in the merit system for hiring and promoting employees, nor to use the library in any way for political or private purposes.

"I must take Curley as I have found him, and not at the estimate of anybody else. My own experience and observation do not bear out your suggestion that he should be defeated for the reasons you give. In the only department of city affairs about which I have any knowledge Curley was 100 percent an honest Mayor. As for his efficiency, he seems to me to have an executive ability which would be outstanding in any line of work."

Ex-Mayor Curley opened his campaign in Charlestown last night when he addressed an enthusiastic crowd of about 1500 persons which overflowed a small wardroom at Lexington and Bunker Hill.

Ex-Congressman Peter F. Tague presided. The speakers for Mr Curley were Mr Tague, Congressman John W. McCormack, Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, Senator John P. Buckley of Charlestown, Ex-Fire Commissioner Theodore F. Glynn, James H. Brennan and Representative Charles S. Sullivan Jr.

Three candidates for the City Council, City Councillor Thomas H. Green, James J. Mellen and John J. Doolin, ex-president of local 799, spoke in favor of Mr Curley's and of their own candidacies. Other speakers were Dr Charles Mackey, James A. Watson, James V. Coffey, Thomas O'Connell and Henry J. Sullivan, all candidates for the School Committee.

After the Curley address it was announced that the Somerset A. A. had unanimously endorsed Mr Curley for Mayor.

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# HURL RIDICULE IN MAYORALTY TILT

10/15

## Curley in East Boston, Mansfield in Brighton Fire Hot Shots---Coakley Compiles Straw Ballot on El

Starting his tour of rallies which he will stage nightly during the remaining three weeks to election day, former Mayor Curley last night was given a thunderous reception by an East Boston crowd that filled the Day Square Theatre, when he announced that the proposed 90,000,000-gallon oil tank farm had been barred from Orient Heights by his appointees on the Street Commission, and promised to protect the interests of the district for the next four years.

### RIDICULES MANSFIELD

In the native sector of his opponent, Curley ridiculed former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield for his luminous sign reading "Let an East Boston Boy Build the Tunnel." He pointed out that the Governor recently appointed four out of the five members of the Metropolitan Transit Commission and with only one appointee, the next Mayor of Boston will have little to say about the tunnel, "provided the former secretary of the Good Government Association—Robert J. Bottomly—influences the Council to accept the legislative act providing for a Metropolitan Transit Commission."

### Jibes at Curley, Fitzgerald

Candidate, Mansfield, speaking at two responsive rallies at Brighton, poked fun at Curley's billboards and at former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, who is stumping the city for Curley, and regaling the rallies with "Sweet Adeline." Recalling John F.'s past quarrels with Curley, and pointing to their reunion, Mansfield laughed "Why the sudden change of heart on the part of the 'millionaire minstrel boy?' Because 'Big Boss' Jim has promised to make him Governor of the State next year, under the slogan, 'Massachusetts Needs Fitzgerald.'"

While Curley and Mansfield were attacking each other's billboards, Candidate Daniel H. Coakley maintained his promise to hold his pulse down with no rallying until next Monday night when he will open up at Symphony Hall.

### Coakley Straw Ballot

But while the candidate himself was resting on his oars, four of Coakley's workers were compiling a straw ballot of 100 women voters who ride on the Elevated but seldom get a seat. And for the first time Coakley announced

that his own straw ballot showed him leading the field with 37 for himself, 33 for Mansfield and 30 for Curley. He attributed his strength among the car riders to his stand for public ownership of the Elevated.

"Many had heard my radio address in which I declared for public ownership of the Elevated system," said Coakley. "Several expressed themselves as being tired of the broken promises of Curley. Many were with Mansfield because he talked so well over the radio, although they couldn't recall what he said."

Coakley's home district was invaded last night by Mansfield who made two Brighton speeches, one at the Washington-Allston school in Ward 21, and the other at Lincoln Hall in Ward 22.

### "Two Lovely Berries"

He broadened his attack last night to include Fitzgerald as well as Curley, declaring that "the old birds are making one last effort to get back on the municipal roost. Four years ago, he said, Fitzzy opposed Curley's candidate and speaking for another said that 'honesty and efficiency' were needed at City Hall.

"Even now while I am speaking," said Mansfield, "the 'Minstrel Boy' is putting on his song and dance act for Big Boss Jim in East Boston. The same man who, four years ago, informed the voters of Dorchester in a letter signed by him, that Curley policies in Dorchester resulted in dirty streets, uncollected garbage and ashes, neglected playgrounds and beaches, causing many accidents and deaths, is now carrying the Curley banner. Two lovely berries on a single stem.

### "Have Hogged Mayoralty"

"What is the answer? The millionaire 'Minstrel Boy' and his arrogant employer who insists on flaunting his insulting banners that Boston 'needs' him, are anxious to once again get control of City Hall patronage and the spending of over \$100,000,000 of the people's money during the next four years.

"For over a quarter of a century the 'Minstrel Boy' and Big Boss Jim have hogged the mayoralty, each of them having been Mayor for a longer period than any of Boston's 38 Mayors. Still greedy, the old birds are making one last futile effort to get back on the municipal roost.

### "Promised to Make Him Governor"

"What the 'Minstrel Boy' said of 'Big Boss Jim' four years ago still holds true. He charged him then with shutting off the water on poor families in hot weather because of failure of landlords to pay their water bills. He reminded the voters then that Curley had said he would resign if he did not secure a five-cent fare and declared

then that Curley had become an ardent advocate of a 10-cent fare and poor service. He charged him then with leaving Dorchester with inadequate police protection through failure to assent to Commissioner Wilson's appeal for more police. He charged him then with granting garage permits adjacent to schools, hospitals and churches.

"Why the sudden change of heart on the part of the 'Minstrel Boy?' Why such apparent humiliation? Because 'Big Boss Jim' has promised to make him Governor of the State next year, under the slogan, 'Massachusetts Needs Fitzgerald.'"

"The temper of the people of Boston has been aroused by such tactics. They have decided that Boston has no room for political dictators and gang rule and their answer will be heard on election day. They must go."

### Theatre Packed, Throng Outside

Curley's appearance at East Boston was the banner rally of the campaign to date, for hundreds were forced to stand in Day square and listen after every available inch of standing room had been taken inside in the theatre.

Time after time during his address he was stopped by rounds of applause and the immense throng went wild with excitement when he gave them their first information regarding the rejection of the oil tank permit by the street commission.

Former Mayor Fitzgerald, former Congressman Peter F. Tague and Congressman John J. Douglass, who presided, were also warmly applauded as they shouted their support of Curley.

### \$8,000,000 in Improvements

In his own address Curley declared that Mansfield must have been hiding behind shrubbery if he really failed to see the monuments that stand as tributes to the last two Curley administrations.

In East Boston alone, the former Mayor pointed to over \$8,000,000 worth of improvements given the district during his last four years as chief executive of the city. He declared that he put the ex-soldiers on the payroll building the \$4,000,000 East Boston tunnel extension instead of leaving them without employment after the war.

Then he called attention to \$335,000 spent on the streets, \$2,000,000 on ferry improvements, \$250,000 for the World War, Orient Heights, Eagle Hill and Cottage street playgrounds; over \$2,000,000 for the East Boston High, Donald McKay and Dante Alighieri schools, \$73,000 for a new engine 40 firehouse, and \$37,000 for a new courthouse site.

### "No Good Government Monuments"

"Yet despite the fact that Good Government cost of administering affairs has increased \$50,000,000," snapped Curley, "up to the present time no funds have been available for the construction of the court house itself, and no Good Government monuments can be found in East Boston."

Referring to the proposed traffic tunnel, Curley said:

"I have been so busy at work upon registration that I have had little opportunity to give either time or thought to the mayoralty election. I note, however, that it is not lacking in humor. For example, I noticed a large transparency in Central square reading 'Let an East Boston Boy Build the Tunnel,' notwithstanding the fact that the Governor has already appointed four of the five members of the Metropolitan Transit Commission. Under the law the Mayor of Boston will have the appointment of but one member of that commission. The Metropolitan Transit Commission, as proposed by this legislative enactment, will have charge of the building of the tunnel. I would suggest to my opponent that he will avoid being the target for ridicule, which would be a great reflection upon one who styles himself a 'big man.'"



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#### Tells of Oil Tank Decision

Curley said:

"To the good people of East Boston who so loyally supported me in every campaign I bring glad tidings this evening that the Boston Board of Street Commissioners have rejected the application for an oil tank farm."

"The rejection by the Street Commission of the application for an oil tank farm for East Boston does not necessarily mean an end to the efforts either of the promoters of the project or the owners of the property where it was proposed the farm be located, and the same degree of vigilance and intelligent co-operation that defeated this project in the past must be maintained for the future protection of those who for the sake of immediate gain would work injury to the home owners of East Boston."

GLOBE 10/15/29

## EAST BOSTON CHEERS CURLEY ON OIL FARM

10/15  
He Promises Jobs to Men  
Who Denied Permit

In Mansfield's Old District, Says  
Latter Needs Guide There

Preceded by a notable array of Democratic leaders, including Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, Chairman Frank J. Donahue of the Democratic State committee, and Ex-Fire Commissioner Theodore A. Glynn, Ex-Mayor James M. Curley, candidate for Mayor, last night carried his campaign for the second time into the old home district of one of his rivals, Frederick W. Mansfield. He spoke for 30 minutes to a crowd that overflowed Day Square Theatre, East Boston. Congressman John J. Douglass presided.

Ex-Mayor Curley stirred the loudest applause when he announced that the city's Board of Street Commissioners had yesterday afternoon, in executive session, denied the application for a gasoline tank farm permit on property in Orient Heights. To most of the audience his announcement was the first news of action on the petition, which was fought by East Boston residents at a public hearing a short time ago.

#### Recalls His Own Plea

The ex-Mayor recalled his own appearance at the hearing in opposition to the permit. It was embarrassing for him, he said, because three members of the board he faced were appointees of his last administration. He pointed out that he urged these men to turn down the petition and said to them that if they were ousted for their action, he would provide jobs for them at his headquarters in Province st and "restore them to their positions in January."

"I am wondering now if they will be fired," Mr Curley went on. "The rejection by the Street Commissioners of the petition does not necessarily mean an end to the efforts either of the promoters of the project or the owners of the property where it was proposed."

The ex-Mayor began his address with the charge that a campaign of innuendo and whispers was being waged against him. He then turned his attack directly upon Mr Mansfield, telling the audience that as he passed through Central sq he had seen a sign, "Let an old East Boston boy build the East Boston tunnel."

#### Says Rival Needs Guide

"Why, where has Mansfield been all this time?" he demanded. Declaring that he understood that Mr Mansfield was born in East Boston, he declared that the man had lost contact with the district, and now, Mr Curley understood, needed a guide to take him through it.

Returning to the tunnel project, he said that the Mayor would have nothing to do with the construction of the tube. He used that fact to denounce the Republican domination of the city.

Mr Curley also charged that 11 men had turned down the Good Government Association indorsement before Mr Mansfield accepted it, and declared that Mr Mansfield's talk of graft and "bagmen" was taken from the "Republican scriptures." The address closed with a review of the projects begun and carried to completion in East Boston during the ex-Mayor's administration.

Mr Curley spoke at another rally in his old-home ward, at the Municipal Building, Vine and Dudley sts, Roxbury. Nearly 4000 persons heard his address, 1000 of them gathered about amplifiers outside the hall.

AMERICAN 10/15/29

## MANSFIELD SAYS CURLEY AT BAY

Branding former Mayor James M. Curley "a political bully" Frederick W. Mansfield told his hearers at a noon rally at the Mead-Morrison Manufacturing Company, East Boston, today that his opponent now fully realizes that he is battling for his political life.

"The same political pack, whose dreams a month ago of City Hall patronage and the spending of over \$100,000,000 of the people's money for the next four years seemed a reality, are now snapping at my heels," he said.

"They realize that every red-blooded man and woman and the lovers of decent government are enlisting in the cause of Mansfield to beat the pack."

"I have stripped the big bosses and the little bosses of all their political bunk, and I say that Curley can not only be beaten but will be beaten."

GLOBE 10/15/29

## MANSFIELD SPEAKS 10/15 IN EAST BOSTON

### "People Want a New and Square Deal," He Says

Terming Ex-Mayor James M. Curley as a "political bully," Frederick W. Mansfield, Mayoralty candidate, addressed a large rally held in his interests this noon at the Mead-Morrison Manufacturing Company, Prescott st, East Boston. He expressed himself as confident of beating his opponent, Mr Curley.

In part he said:

"My campaign, carried directly to the people of Boston, is having its deadly effect, for the people know Mansfield is a truth-teller and not a pledge-breaker. My campaign is not one of mail order schemes, red fire, brass bands or baby kissing. It is not a campaign carried on in the dark. I believe in turning the spotlight of publicity upon the bosses and their henchmen who follow these political showmen in their attempts by trickery and prejudice to steal the people's right to choose their own Mayor. Their old-time three-card political monte game will not work this time. The people of Boston want a new and square deal which they know Mansfield will give them."

AMERICAN 10/15/29

## MANSFIELD HIT AS 'HIRELING'

Former State Senator James H. Brennan of Charlestown, charged Frederick W. Mansfield with being the "child" and hireling of George H. Nutter, former president of the Massachusetts Bar Association, in an address today at the noon rally at the Curley Women's headquarters in the Hotel Bellevue.

"Last March the Goo-Goo candidate showed his true colors," Brennan declared, "when in a speech before the Middlesex Bar Association, composed chiefly of Republican lawyers, this man who is president of the Massachusetts Bar Association, who boasts of his legal knowledge and his intellectual dimensions, made the following statement: 'I consider the graduates of the evening schools as the scum of the bar.'"

The rally was also addressed by former Congressman Joseph A. Conroy, who said he had not supported Curley in the past, but was now doing so as a result of study of the situation.

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# TAG DAY





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# URGE COAKLEY TO ACT IN RATE FIGHT

House Leader Wants Candidate to Represent Brighton and Learn Facts

The Edison rate controversy and unemployment were the high-light topics of today's political activities in Boston.

The services of Daniel H. Coakley, mayoral candidate, to represent Brighton citizens in the public utility commission's proposed investigation of Edison rates were solicited by Representative Leo M. Birmingham of Brighton, minority leader of the House.

Declaring that somebody with courage must represent the people, Representative Birmingham requested Coakley to give his "magnificent talents as a trained investigator to get at the real facts" in the Edison tilt.

The charge that the school committee is encouraging unemployment by placing in positions school-boys of tender age at a very small salary was voiced by James A. "Jerry" Watson, candidate for membership on the board.

"In this way men with families are deprived of an opportunity which by right is theirs to earn a wage with which to support their dependents," said Watson, speaking at a noon-day rally in Faneuil Hall.

"The school board of Boston and its system has become practically an oligarchy, responsible to nobody and running wild attacking employment of non-residents, non-voters and non-taxpayers by the school committee."

Frederick W. Mansfield attacked James M. Curley and Curley's "chief supporter," John F. Fitzgerald, in a speech at a business men's luncheon at the Parker House.

Curley's granting of a permit for a garage at Washington and Park sts., Dorchester, "is another monument for which the former mayor claims no credit," Mansfield declared.

"The people of that section, like the people and clergy in the Mission Hill, Roxbury, South Boston and Charlestown districts, where these Curley death traps stand as monuments to his arrogance, entered a violent protest led by former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald.

Mansfield quoted Fitzgerald as saying at the time: "This is nothing new. Curley's administration is filled with similar instances."

Mansfield will speak tonight at the Sherwin school, Sterling st., and the Memorial High School, Townsend and Warren sts.

Thomas Falcone, campaigning for the city council in Ward 18, attacked the candidacy of Clement Morton, who he expects to withdraw, he said.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

## RALLIES TONIGHT AT 8 P. M.

Warren Hall, Brighton      Dorchester High School  
Grover Cleveland School, Dorchester  
City Council and School Committee Candidates Invited

NOONDAY RALLY 12 NOON TO 1:30 P. M. EVERY DAY  
Women's Democratic Headquarters

19 BEACON STREET

SPEAKERS TODAY: PUBLIC INVITED

Senator Joseph Mulhern, Representative Francis Hickey,  
Matthew J. Cummings, Mrs. John J. Horgan, Mrs. Alice Maloney

Tune in Tonight at 6:04 P. M. thru Station WNAC  
5-Minute Registration Address

## Mayor JAMES M. CURLEY

LAST DAY AND NIGHT TO REGISTER  
IN EVERY WARD FROM 6 TO 10 P. M.  
Call at 22 Province St. or 19 Beacon St.

MRS. COLIN MacDONALD, 1 New Heath St.      MISS IDA FENDEL, 165 Columbia Rd.

TRAVELER 10/16/29

## Registration for Coming City Election Closes at 10 Tonight

This is the last day for the registration of voters in Boston for the city election Nov. 5. Ten o'clock tonight will be the zero hour, and all qualified to register but who have not done so at that time will not be permitted to cast their ballots in the three-cornered mayoralty contest waged by James M. Curley, Frederick W. Mansfield and Daniel H. Coakley and in the city council and school committee campaigns.

The election commissioners will be open for the addition of names to the registration lists until the closing hour tonight, and registration booths are open in every ward in the city. Workers for the 115 candidates for office are concluding today their efforts to get back on the lists the names of 40,393 persons dropped since the last presidential campaign.

GLOBE 10/16/29

## MANFIELD AGAIN REFERS TO DORCHESTER GARAGE

At a luncheon rally at the Parker House today, Ex-State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield, candidate for Mayor, again referred to the granting of a permit by the then Mayor Curley for the erection of a garage in Dorchester.

Mr Mansfield read a statement from a newspaper clipping, quoting the remarks of Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald at a hearing on the garage permit before State Fire Marshal Neal.

Mr Mansfield will speak tonight at 8 at the Sherwin School, Sterling st., Ward 9, and the Memorial High School, Townsend and Warren sts, Ward 12.

## **MR. MANSFIELD'S LINE OF ATTACK MAKES VOTES FOR CURLEY. THE THIRTEEN PAGES OF PROMISES SEEM TO BE IN THE DISCARD**

The Mansfield campaign must be hard up for an issue when the candidate finds it necessary to attack Mr. Curley for the appointment of his brother John J. Curley, City Treasurer, in his two administrations.

This has not proved a very happy selection and had Mr. Mansfield been sufficiently familiar with municipal affairs he would, no doubt, have chosen some other topic, in the absence of an issue; the slightest familiarity with the history of Mr. Curley's Administrations would have taught him, that while both were replete with big achievements, there was no accomplishment through the Mayor's office that exceeded in satisfaction to Boston's entire citizenry, the administration of the city treasury department by John J. Curley. He was the most courteous, obliging, painstaking and efficient treasurer this city has ever had; his equipment was thorough, a ripe experience in real estate and insurance enabled him to solve the problems of the assessors office, and to adjust matters between taxpayers and the city with perfect equity to both, and his handling of the city funds was done with skill and sound judgment that won the unstinted praise of the banking and business houses of the city; nor can anyone doubt that his terms in office were accompanied by substantial losses, to him in income, as his real estate and insurance business which he was obliged to neglect was quite lucrative when he entered upon his duties as City Treasurer and practically nil when he returned to it after a lapse of four years.

It is a safe prediction that the hope of John Curley's return to the office of City Treasurer will add many votes to his brother's total, and they will be the votes of those who will not forget his availability, his eagerness to serve and his unfailing courtesy to all whose interests brought them to City Hall during his highly competent services there.

As a self-styled advocate of adequate wages and salaries it is equally unbecoming Mr. Mansfield to harp on the amount of salary paid Mr. Curley while Mayor; he had nothing to do with fixing the salary he received, which had not for years been equivalent to the demands of the office for ability and character of its incumbents, a shortcoming recognized by Mr. Curley while Mayor and which he very graciously and unselfishly remedied for the benefit of his successor, and we believe Mayor Nichols has found it, even with the additional provided by Mayor Curley, difficult enough to make it meet the demands of the office. *could*



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The voters of Boston have been expecting elucidation of some of the promises contained in the "thirteen closely typewritten pages" of Mr. Mansfield's platform and which, by the way, were suspiciously similar to the prophecies in Mr. Curley's valedictory, and are expressing surprise on all sides, that he can find no issue of sufficient importance to keep him away from personal abuse; many, however, will see in the trend of the campaign, the unmistakable signs of the small man seeking the big job and his misdirected efforts will no doubt add emphasis to the slogan

## **"BOSTON NEEDS CURLEY"!**

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## **EDITORIAL**

### **GOODWIN'S APPOINTMENT AN EXCELLENT ONE.**

#### **ESPECIALLY PLEASING TO CURLEY'S SUPPORTERS**

Governor Allen has given many instances of his clear insight into the problems of the people throughout the Commonwealth, but in no case has he exercised his appointive power with greater wisdom than in that act which made Frank A. Goodwin chairman of the Finance Commission.

Frank A. Goodwin is a man of great capacity for public service, with exceptional comprehension of the spirit and motive actuating the establishment of departmental offices in the general government; and it is safe to predict that he will rescue the commission from the role of innocuous meddler and character assailant to which it has sunk in recent years, as evidenced in the Base Ball scandal bubble, and the Exchange Street widening fiasco, and re-establish it as a useful and helpful adjunct to Boston City Government, for which service it was created.

Governor Allen's well known friendship for Ex-Mayor Curley could not have taken a more timely and favorable turn, and Mr. Curley can approach his anticipated term from 1930 to 1934 at City Hall in confidence that he will, in carrying out his contemplated plans for great municipal betterments, be safeguarded against the inspired interference of the agents of Nutter and Shattuck whose sole aim, it would seem, is to embarrass any anti "Goo-Goo" administration.

We expect to find Chairman Goodwin shoulder to shoulder with the city government in every honestly conceived and honestly executed forward movement, helping, not hindering it, thereby serving the people and earning their gratitude which will be freely given, both to him and to Governor Allen who appointed him.

HERALD 10/16/29

# MANSFIELD AND CURLEY TILTING

Charges Fly at Evening  
Rallies and Crowds  
Applaud

## CONRY ADDRESSES CURLEY WOMEN

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Speaking at a series of rallies in different sections of the city last night, former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield and former Mayor James M. Curley continued to hurl charges at one another before audiences that received them with acclaim.

Mansfield charged Curley in his speeches in Dorchester and Neponset with having caused a loss to the city of \$137,000 in 1923 by awarding contracts to others than the lowest bidders, and declared that "personal animosity toward contractors on the part of city officials, and favoritism, influenced the awards."

Former Mayor Curley made public a letter purported to be sent by the Good Government Association in behalf of their candidate, in which they asked contributions to help them defeat Curley because he "aspires to higher office later on."

At the same time he made public an answer sent to the Good Government Association by Guy W. Currier, a member of the Port Authority and a trustee of the Boston Public Library in which Currier declared that in all his dealings with the former mayor as a library trustee, Mr. Curley "never tried to influence the trustees in the letting of a single contract, nor to interfere in the merit system for hiring and promoting employees, nor to use the library in any way for political or private purposes."

"I believe that the reply as made by this courageous citizen," the former mayor declared at his rallies, "should be the answer of citizens generally whose intelligence is insulted by the character of money-begging letters sent out by the Good Government Association."

"It is the first time to my knowledge that a man's aspirations, provided he did aspire to a high political office, should serve as a logical argument for his defeat as a candidate for the mayors' office."

### MANSFIELD IN DORCHESTER

Mansfield told an enthusiastic audience in the Mather school in the Meeting House hill section of Dorchester, where 10 local members of the Democratic city committee informed him that they had indorsed his candidacy, that "Mr. Curley and his wrecking crew of bosses are now looking forward to four more years of playing favorites in the awarding of contracts."

"They have already decided where the major portion of the \$100,000,000 which is to be spent in the next four years is to go," he declared. "City Hall will once again be filled with bagmen, middlemen and commission men if Mr. Curley and his bosses rule. The citizens of the city are at last aroused and have reached the definite decision that they must walk the political plank and go to work."

Joseph A. Conry, former congressman, was the principal speaker at the Curley noonday rally at the women's headquarters at 19 Beacon street yesterday. He called on Mansfield to make his position clear to the voters on the metropolitan transit commission act, which gives to that body the building of the East Boston tunnel in the event the city council accepts the act.

RECORD 10/16/29

# MANSFIELD CALLS CURLEY 10/16 A "DICTATOR"

With Frederick W. Mansfield attacking former Mayor James M. Curley as a "dictator," and Curley launching verbal assaults on the Good Government Association and Mansfield, the Boston mayoralty campaign became more heated last night.

Addressing gatherings in Dorchester and Neponset, Mansfield stated that neither Curley nor his other opponent, Daniel H. Coakley, had presented any platform to the people of Boston as yet.

Curley ridiculed the Good Government Association which he charged with sending out a letter seeking more funds to defeat him.

GLOBE 10/16/29

# MANSFIELD DEMANDS RIVALS' PLATFORMS

Claims Curley Has Taken  
No Stand on His Issues

Asserts That Foe, When Mayor, Let  
Contracts Over Lowest Bids

Frederick W. Mansfield, candidate for Mayor of Boston, declared last night at rallies in Dorchester that neither of his opponents, James M. Curley nor Daniel H. Coakley, has presented any platform to the people of Boston.

"I have presented mine to the people; where are the platforms of my opponents?" he asked.

"Where does Mr. Curley stand on my plank calling for frequent, frank and complete accounts of the city's activities?" he asked. "No such program was ever carried out in his two discredited administrations. No, rather star chamber sessions and the awarding of contracts in secret."

He also asked, "Where does Mr. Curley stand on my plank calling for but one term as Mayor; for a square deal for city employees; for honest city contracts in accordance with the law playing no favorites and eliminating bagmen?"

Mr. Mansfield charged that in Mr. Curley's last administration in 1923 91 contracts were awarded to other than the lowest bidders, and that in 1922 41 contracts were awarded to other than the lowest bidders.

TRAVELER 10/14/29

# JOHN F. TAKES STUMP TONIGHT

Speaks, with Curley, at  
Rallies in East Boston  
and Roxbury

Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald will take the stump in East Boston tonight with former Mayor James M. Curley. The old enemies will appear together.

While the are holding forth, the three-cornered fight for mayor will be further enlivened in Allston and Brighton by the appearance of Frederick W. Mansfield.

Curley and Fitzgerald will first appear in the Day Square Theatre, East Boston. Congressman John J. Douglass will also speak in East Boston and Asst. Dist. Atty. Daniel J. Gillen in the municipal building on Vine street, Roxbury. Mansfield will speak at rallies at Lincoln hall, Lincoln street, Brighton, ward 22, and the Washington-Allston school, Allston, ward 21.

At the Curley women's headquarters, Beacon street, today, Congressman Douglass, Asst. Dist. Atty. Vincent Brogna, Mrs. Jeremiah J. Hurley and Dr. Helin I. Doherty will be the speakers. Curley plans to make radio addresses tonight, tomorrow and Wednesday evenings, urging registration.



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# CURRIER COMES OUT FOR CURLEY

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## Repudiates G. G. A. and Its Candidate in Replying to Appeal for Campaign Funds

Repudiation of the Good Government Association and its methods by Attorney Guy W. Currier, recently appointed a member of the port authority board by Mayor Nichols, and his endorsement of former Mayor Curley as "100 per cent an honest Mayor," was the sensation of the mayoralty campaign last night.

### AT THREE RALLIES

Curley took the South End and Charlestown by storm when he disclosed at three capacity rallies last night the communications that passed between the Good Government Association and Attorney Currier.

The former Mayor declared that his opponent's offensive had fallen flat and that the G. G. A. had sent out a frantic appeal for funds because, if Curley "should be elected Mayor, he aspires to higher political office later on," and this is the "time to check his political progress."

While Curley was stumping the South End and Charlestown, Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield was given warm receptions at Dorchester and Neponset, where he challenged Curley and Candidate Daniel H. Coakley to announce their platforms to the public. He charged Curley with granting 91 contracts in 1923 to others than the lowest bidders, at an expense to the taxpayers of \$137,000, and in the previous year awarded 83 contracts in the same manner. Mansfield said:

"Where does Mr. Curley stand on my plank calling for honest city contracts, in accordance with the law, playing no favorites and eliminating bagmen? During his last administration in 1923 there were 91 contracts awarded to others than the lowest bidder. In many cases, contractors of distinguished ability were rejected for personal or political reasons. It was estimated that the direct loss to Boston as the result of this was \$137,000.

### Low Bidders Lose

"In 1922, under Mr. Curley, 63 contracts were awarded to others than the lowest bidder. In 41 of these instances no adequate reason was given for awarding the contract to the high bidder. Personal animosity toward contractors on the part of city officials and also favoritism influenced these awards.

"Mr. Curley and his wrecking crew of bosses are now looking forward to

four more years of playing favorites in the awarding of contracts. They have already decided where the major portion of the \$100,000,000 to be spent in the next four years is to go. City Hall will once again be filled with bagmen, middlemen and commissionmen if Mr. Curley and his bosses rule. They are through. The citizens of the city are aroused to the situation and have decided that they have had enough."

Curley's attack upon the Good Government Association and his endorsement by Attorney Currier follow:

"The Good Government bosses in desperation at their inability to arouse enthusiasm for their candidate, Mr. Mansfield, have this day removed the mask and stand revealed in their true colors. In previous contests, and in this contest at the outset, the plea was that their candidate for the mayoralty should be supported because of the desire to promote honest and efficient government. This plea has been sufficient in the past to prompt partisan Republicans and gullible Democrats to contribute liberally to the funds of the Good Government organization.

"The returns have been very meagre, however, in this campaign, and the audiences addressed by the candidate of the Good Government bosses have been so limited, in fact, at Brighton last night by actual count, including janitors, attendants, police officers, speakers and cheer leaders, but 32 persons were present, that a new method of attack has been devised.

### On Barren Ground

"Apparently the demand for the defeat of Curley because of his discharge of the duties of Mayor and because of his ability, character and capacity have fallen on barren ground and have been unproductive of the necessary manna to fool the people. As a consequence, in the mail today, gullible citizens of both parties are addressed as follows:

"We feel that business men who can afford to do so should contribute substantially to the Mansfield-for-Mayor campaign in order to defeat Curley. I think that Republicans and Democrats should be equally interested in seeing Curley defeated, because it is well known that, should he be elected Mayor, he aspires to higher political office later on. Accordingly, we feel that the time to check his political progress is now. I hope very much that you will want to contribute a substantial sum." Sincerely yours,

(Signed) "WILLIAM MINOT"

"One of these communications was received by a prominent Boston attorney and I desire to make public his reply:

"I have yours of the ninth addressed to my wife and myself jointly, asking for help in defeating Curley because we are interested in 'obtaining honest and efficient government' for Boston. I cannot make any political contributions because I hold two appointive offices—as a trustee of the Public Library, and as a member of the Port Authority. Neither carries any pay or perquisites, but—holding them—I think there is an impropriety in contributing. Moreover I do not feel any alarm at the prospect of Curley's election. I have come into close contact with Curley only in one relation. I was trustee of the Public Library during the whole of his last term as Mayor.

### Endorses Curley

"The library spends more than a million dollars a year of the city's money, and has several hundred employees in the central building and 38 branches. Curley never tried to influence the trustees in the letting of a single contract, nor to interfere in the merit system for hiring and promoting employees, nor to use the library in any way for political or private purposes. I must take Curley as I have found him, and not at the estimate of anybody else. My own experience and observation do not bear out your suggestion that he should be defeated for the reasons you give. In the only department of city affairs about which I have any knowledge, Curley was 100 per cent an honest Mayor. As for his efficiency, he seems to me to have an executive ability which would be outstanding in any line of work.

"Sincerely yours,

(Signed) "GUY W. CURRIER."

"I believe that the reply as made by this courageous, capable, upstanding citizen should be the answer of citizens generally whose intelligence is insulted by the character of money-begging letters sent out by the Good Government Association. I am a candidate for the Mayor of Boston at the present time and am interested in preventing the control of the office of Mayor by the Good Government wrecking crew, through its hand-picked candidate.

"It is the first time to my knowledge that a man's aspirations, provided he did aspire to a high political office, should serve as a logical argument for his defeat as candidate for the Mayor's office. To secure a higher political office it is necessary that a man serve with honesty and ability in the minor office and this qualification should constitute an argument in favor of support of the individual rather than against him.

"The Good Government Association, by the character of circular which it has issued in this case, merits the loss of public confidence in the candidate whom it has selected to be voted for by the citizens of Boston. It must be apparent to everyone that the Good Government Association recognizes the futility of applying the tar brush either to my character or to my service as Mayor of Boston, and from a body whose hostility is both inherent and hereditary, this is a most unusual admission and properly construed constitutes an endorsement of my public service."

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# The Disarmament Campaign





## REGISTRATION ENDS, 279,363 ARE LISTED

Record Number May Vote  
at City Election Here

20,690 Names of Voters Added  
Since July 1 of This Year

Registration closed in Boston at 10 o'clock last night with 279,363 names on the list, the largest number for a city election in the history of Boston. The total is only 19,703 below the record Boston registration established at the Presidential election last year, when an intensive campaign resulted in 299,066 names going on the list.

The extraordinary size of the registration for the coming city election on Nov 5 is evident when it is compared with the registration at the last Mayoralty election in 1925. At that time there were only 233,056 names on the list, or 46,307 less than at present. In the off-year city election in 1927 there were only 221,404 names on the list.

Registration yesterday established a record for this season. A total of 3667 names were added yesterday, 2150 men and 1517 women. Of these 1937 were registered at Boston City Hall Annex and 1730 at the various booths throughout the city.

Frank B. Seiberlich of the Election Commissioners had extra men at work at City Hall to care for the throng expected and no one was disappointed as in other years. Only one man, who came in after 10 o'clock, was refused permission to register.

The only report of persons disappointed came from Paine Memorial School in Ward 14, Dorchester, where about 25 persons were left when 10 o'clock was reached. Calls for workers came from Roslindale, Hyde Park, Brighton and South Boston, and men were hurried to the booths.

Of the total registration, there are 24,819 more men than women. Registration since July 1, when 40,393 names were dropped from the list, has resulted in 20,690 names being added, including 12,822 men and 7868 women.

Chairman Seiberlich said last night that he is certain that most of those registered during the past couple of days are Democrats. There was a noticeable lack of interest in the so-called Republican wards, it was pointed out.

The Edison light rate controversy came into the Boston mayoral fight with a bang yesterday when Candidate Daniel H. Coakley was officially requested to represent Brighton residents at the proposed Public Utility Commission probe of the present cost of lighting service throughout the city.

The offer was made to Coakley by Representative Leo M. Birmingham of Brighton, minority leader of the House.

Declaring that "somebody with courage" must represent the public, Birmingham urged that Coakley give his "magnificent talents as a trained investigator to get at the real facts" of the light rate situation.

Garages in Dorchester, Roxbury, Charlestown and South Boston, allegedly erected under permits accorded by James M. Curley's administration, were last night characterized by Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield as "Curley death traps, monuments to his tremendous arrogance."

Mansfield attacked both Curley and "Curley's chief supporter, John F. Fitzgerald."

Fitzgerald, he said, though now a Curley backer, was active in former times in heading citizens' protests against improper garage permits and "other abuses of power."

AM GLOBE 10/18/29

## MANSFIELD ATTACKS 10/18 CURLEY IN RADIO TALK

Frederick W. Mansfield candidate for Mayor, in his speech over the air from Station WBZA last night, charged that his opponent, James M. Curley, and Curley's supporter, John F. Fitzgerald, had practically monopolized the direction of the city government for years.

A new democracy, he said, non-partisan, made up of the thousands of wage earners who pay the taxes, was tired of the contention that the rich pay the taxes. For that reason, he declared, the inefficient manner in which Curley had conducted the city government in the past, prophesied his defeat in November.

## COAKLEY TO CHALLENGE HIS OPPONENTS AT WNAC

Unable to get in touch with his opponents, Messrs Curley and Mansfield, yesterday in order to invite them to his meeting at Symphony Hall Monday night, Daniel H. Coakley, speaking to his workers last night, said that he would make another attempt today to get his challenge across.

"I shall make a final personal demand upon them at WNAC studio on Saturday evening, when all three of us go on the air again. Long before the end of this campaign the voters are to know the real issues and where the candidates stand if I have to go right into the Curley and Mansfield rallies and get their answers in front of their own audiences."

## MANSFIELD'S RECORD ASSAILED BY CURLEY

10/18  
Ex-Mayor Cites Many Long  
Terms in Office

Charging that his opponent for the Mayoralty, Frederick W. Mansfield, has "failed to discuss a single issue and has devoted his entire time to vituperation and abuse," Ex-Mayor James M. Curley, speaking last night at meetings in the municipal buildings at Roslindale and in Hyde Park, launched an attack upon his opponent's record. On the platform with the ex-Mayor were Henry E. Lawler, president of the Democratic City Committee; Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald and Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic State Committee.

Taking up "the cry of the single term," the Ex-Mayor cited the examples of Ex-President Calvin Coolidge, who was for 25 years a politician and served two terms as President; Alfred E. Smith, four times Governor of New York, the late Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, for 24 years a member of the United States Senate; John W. Weeks, for seven terms secretary of the Navy; Ex-Gov McCall, member of Congress for 18 years and numerous others.

The Ex-Mayor concluded with a resume of the improvements which he made in Hyde Park during his last term as Mayor and announced his intention of "expending, if necessary, \$5,000,000 for the construction of unaccepted streets throughout Boston and to prosecute the work with vigor."

"I propose that play streets shall be established throughout the city from which vehicles shall be prohibited during certain hours of each day."

## GLOBE 10/18/29 HOSTILE OUTBURST HALTS 10/18 SPEAKER IN HYDE PARK

Cat-calls, shouts and cow-bell ringing halted the attempt of Clement A. Norton, Republican candidate for the City Council to speak before a Democratic rally in the Municipal Building, Hyde Park, last night, after he had been invited by Frank J. Donahue, presiding officer, to address the gathering of 1200.

After praising Mr Donahue for his work at the State House, Mr Norton launched into an attack upon his Democratic opponent, Councillor Peter J. Murphy. Shouts from the rear of the room started a series of cow-bell rings and a general outburst.

Ex-Mayor Curley had come into the hall during Mr Norton's speech, but he said nothing. Mr Donahue, stepping to the front of the platform, asked the audience to be quiet and then began to praise Mr Norton for his words of kindness about the presiding officer, but he asked him to stop personalities. Mr Murphy then received an ovation. He held an overflow meeting across the street.

GLOBE 10/17/29

## CURLEY TURNS FIRE ON UTILITIES BOARD

At Brighton He Advocates  
Members Be Elected

Tells Dorchester Crowds of Work  
Done in That District

Speaking last night at Warren Hall, Brighton, ex-Mayor James M. Curley assailed the Massachusetts Public Utilities Commission and declared himself surprised that his opponent had had nothing to say about lower electric rates for the people of Boston.

"The history of the Massachusetts Public Utilities Commission," the ex-Mayor said, "is one of callous, brutal, arrogant disregard for the rights of the people. This policy has been permitted to go unchecked and unpunished for too long a period of time."

Mr Curley went on to say that during his last administration four reductions in rates were obtained from the Boston Consolidated Gas Company, representing a saving of \$2,000,000 to Boston consumers. In no case was the reduction the result of recommendation by the Public Utilities Commission," he said.

### Telephone Rates Raised

"During that time, Mr Curley said, 'the telephone rates were increased with the approval of the Public Utilities Commission.' He declared that as a reward for loyalty to the public service corporations the members of the commission, as their terms expired, were reappointed.

He went on to ask what position the Good Government Association took in this regard with its "professed interest in good government." Mr Curley then demanded the Governor remove the present membership of the Public Utilities Commission if he wishes to retain the good will of the people of the Commonwealth. Mr Curley then declared that as Mayor he would be delighted to present legislation to the General Court providing for the election of the Public Utilities Commission.

In regard to the campaign conducted by Mr Mansfield the ex-Mayor said: "The charge will undoubtedly be made before the campaign terminates that Curley expended public money too liberally. My answer to this charge is that the Mayor of Boston exercises direct control of but 39 percent of the moneys collected through taxation and otherwise by the city of Boston, while more than 60 percent is expended by State-appointed and Legislature-created agencies over which the Mayor exercises no control."

### No Campaign on Facts

Mr Curley went on to say that it was discovered early in the campaign that the case against him so far as his administration of municipal affairs in an efficient, economical and humane manner could not be sustained, so the conduct of the campaign on questions of law and fact were not pressed.

"The campaign," Mr Curley declared, "then became a campaign of vilification and abuse."

In his Dorchester rallies, Mr Curley called attention to the fact that the rapid transit project had been put through in his administration; that the new courthouse had been provided and that 35 new streets had been constructed. He declared that a quarter million dollars was expended in parks and playgrounds.

Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, speaking for Mr Curley, urged the need for Democratic unity. He also said that it was a pity that the School Committee members were not elected by districts.

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## MANSFIELD CHARGES FOE IGNORES PEOPLE

Says Curley Thinks He Is  
"Master" of City

Candidate Declares Campaign Issue  
Is Honesty in Government

Declaring that Ex-Mayor Curley "thinks he is the master of the people, that as such he has complete control of the government, managing it as though it was his personal and private business, and that all must do his bidding," Frederick W. Mansfield, candidate for Mayor, last night told crowded rallies in the Sherwin School, Sterling st, and in Memorial High School auditorium, Townsend st, that "the people see in Mr Curley one who utterly fails to understand government by the people."

Mr Mansfield asserted that his opponent's "long service in office has dulled his sense of responsibility, if he ever had any," and said that he "does not know the simple truth that 'public office is a public trust,' that in government of the people the people are supreme and that elected officials are servants of the people."

### Talks of "His" City

He continued: "Mr Curley does not know the elementary principles of representative government. He talks as if it was his city, his money and his private property. It was a railroad magnate who said: 'The public be damned' but the people forced legislation to regulate the roads. It was a coal mine magnate who said: 'I own the mines by divine right,' but President Roosevelt stepped in and gave labor and the public an even break. It was a city political boss running for office who said: 'To hell with reform,' but the people buried him at the polls. In effect, Mr Curley as a candidate for Mayor has said these things.

"Last night he spoke of his monuments. Indeed he would take over the splendid philanthropy of the late beloved George Robert White. The health units erected with the money bequeathed to the city of Boston by Mr White are not monuments to Mr White

but to Mr Curley. Plenty of praise for Curley, by Curley, but not one word for the benevolent Mr White, who left his millions for humanity. Mr Curley's monuments are found in the shape of public garages and oil stations in residential districts despite the protest of the people."

### Says Real Issue Honesty

"In this campaign the people have made the real issues thus early. They are honest government, good government and real service, as against graft, waste, extravagance, bagmen, commissionmen and middlemen.

"The mere mention of these issues angers Mr Curley. He cannot bear to hear such terms as good, clean, honest government. He flies in a rage at the mere mention of them. It is either fear or a guilty conscience or both. I think its both. He cannot hide his mental state by brass, bluff and bluster which are the traits of one who lacks courage.

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## G. G. A. AGAIN ASKS CAMPAIGN FUNDS

The Good Government Association last evening sent out a second appeal for funds with which to carry out its program against James M. Curley and Daniel H. Coakley for Mayor. Last month the association sent out its first appeal and, according to the circular issued last night, the response was the largest to any appeal since 1917, when Andrew J. Peters defeated Ex-Mayor Curley.

The association says it needs the remainder of the \$25,000 asked a few weeks ago to send every voter biographical information on the candidates for Mayor and the City Council. The circular had a word of praise for the association's candidate, Frederick W. Mansfield.



# CURLEY INSISTS ON REMOVAL OF UTILITIES BOARD

In Dorchester Speech Says  
History Is One of Brutal  
Disregard of Rights

## MANSFIELD CITES RIVAL'S 'MONUMENTS'

Final Registration Totals  
279,363, of Whom 127,272  
Are Women

Indicating unusual interest in the Boston campaign for mayor, members of the school committee and city council, a record registration of 279,363 prospective voters—excepting the banner registration during the presidential campaign last year—was placed upon the books at the city election department last night.

Of this number 152,091 are men and 127,272 women. There were 3667 persons registered when the list closed at 10 P. M. yesterday and of this number 1937 were registered in City Hall annex and 1730 were registered at the various booths in the 22 wards.

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Former Mayor Curley last night called upon Gov. Allen to remove the members of the public utilities commission and declared that he would, as mayor, work for the enactment of legislation which would make the commission an elected body in a speech before a large crowd of voters in the Dorchester high school auditorium.

"The history of the Massachusetts public utilities commission is one of callous, brutal, arrogant disregard for the rights of the people," the former mayor declared, amid cheers, "and this policy has been permitted to go unchecked and unpunished for too long a period of time."

He said that during his last administration, from 1922 to 1925, inclusive, four reductions in rates were secured from the Boston Consolidated Gas Company which represented a saving of \$2,000,000 additional to Boston consumers without any recommendations on the part of the public utilities commission.

He also took occasion to ask his opponent, Frederick W. Mansfield, where he stood on the question and declared that if Mansfield did not "maintain a subservient attitude to the Good Government Association, he might make

some utterances in favor of lower electric lighting rates for the people of Boston."

The improvements made in the Dorchester district during his two administrations were recalled by the former mayor and they included the appropriation of \$10,500,000 for the Dorchester rapid transit system, the Dorchester courthouse, new streets and the building of playgrounds.

### CURLEY'S MONUMENTS

While the former mayor was reviewing his monuments in Dorchester, Mansfield, in the Memorial high school auditorium on Townsend street, Roxbury, charged that "Mr. Curley's monuments are found in the shape of public garages and oil stations in residential districts despite the protests of the people." He said he believed Curley is spending \$500,000 on his campaign.

"Mr. Curley has been parading his so-called monuments," Mansfield declared to the crowd that filled the auditorium, "and indeed he would take over the splendid philanthropy of the late beloved George Robert White. The health units erected with the money bequeathed to the city of Boston by Mr. White are not monuments to Mr. White but monuments to Mr. Curley. Plenty of praise for Curley, by Curley, but not one word for the benevolent Mr. White, who left his millions to humanity."

Mansfield charged Curley with not knowing the elementary principles of representative government and declared that Curley's long service in public office has dulled his sense of responsibility. "If he ever had any."

"I believe Curley is spending \$500,000 to be elected mayor of this city, a position that pays but \$80,000 for the entire four-year term," Mansfield said. "If the office of mayor is open to the highest bidder then Curley is certain of election."

Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, Theodore A. (Teddy) Glynn and Edward F. McLaughlin accompanied Curley on his rallies and made addresses. Representative William O. Hickey of South Boston, former Asst. Dist. Atty. Hugh J. Campbell, Dr. Joseph V. Lyons of the school committee and Senator William I. Hennessey spoke for Mansfield at his rallies.

Announcing in a statement issued last night that its "first appeal for funds met with larger response than any other September appeal since former Mayor Peters defeated Curley for mayor in 1917," the Good Government Association mailed at the same time its second appeal for funds to the voters of the city.

The pamphlet insisted that "the menace to the community in the candidacies of James M. Curley and Daniel H. Coakley for mayor can scarcely be overestimated," and declared that "Coakley's record shows him to be an even lower type of politician than Curley and his sinister influence must be wiped out."

"The Good Government Association has never liked me," Coakley stated in a rejoinder last night. "I have never been a candidate for their indorsement and in that I differ from my two opponents."

Coakley also announced last night

## Candidates' Speaking Program for Tonight

Besides speaking over station WBZ from 7 to 7:15 o'clock tonight, Frederick W. Mansfield will conduct two rallies in Dorchester and Jamaica Plain. Daniel W. Flynn will preside at the rally in the Mary Hemenway school on Adams street, Dorchester, and former Asst. Dist. Atty. Hugh J. Campbell will act as chairman at the rally in the Agassiz school on Burroughs street, Jamaica Plain.

Former Mayor James M. Curley will speak at two rallies tonight accompanied by former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald. The rallies will be held in the Roslindale municipal building and the Hyde Park municipal building.

that he had accepted the invitation of the Massachusetts Real Estate Exchange to speak at the annual dinner of that organization at the Hotel Brunswick on next Monday evening, the night of the opening of his campaign in Symphony hall.

### 279,363 REGISTERED

The largest number of voters ever placed upon the voting list in Boston, with the exception of last year when a record number was added for the Presidential fight, was recorded at the conclusion of registration at 10 o'clock last night when the election commissioners announced that 279,363 persons are eligible to vote at the city election Nov. 5.

Of this number 162,091 are men and 127,272 are women. There were 3667 persons registered yesterday, the last day for registration, 1730 of them at the registration places in the 22 wards throughout the city and 1937 at City Hall annex.

A total of 40,393 persons were dropped since the last Presidential campaign. It was not expected, of course, that anywhere near this number would be put back on the lists. The unusual conditions surrounding the last contest for President and the fact that an exceptionally intensive drive was carried on during the campaign meant that no such figure would be reached for the city election.

Last night, however, Boston political leaders declared that the total of 20,690 added since July 1 was a very substantial increase and clearly showed the unusual interest that is being displayed in the three-cornered contest for mayor and the fights for membership on the school committee and in the city council.

The record for persons disappointed was in ward 14, when 25 were turned away at the Paine Memorial school, Dorchester, when they failed to register by 10 o'clock. Only one person was denied registration because he was late at City Hall Annex. He arrived at 10:05.

At the last mayoralty election in 1925 a total of 233,056 persons was registered. Of this number 133,482 were men and 99,574 women. Thus there are 46,307 more persons eligible to vote this year than there were four years ago. At the election in 1927 221,404 persons were registered, 126,609 of them men and 94,795 women.

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# ASK \$25,000 TO PUT OVER MANSFIELD

## G. G. A. Officials Also Take Shot at Coakley

Complaining that the Good Government Association is "far short" of its \$25,000 campaign fund goal, Secretary Laurence O. Pratt last night mailed several thousand appeals for funds to the voters of the city, urging the support of Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield, and charging that Coakley's record shows him to be "an even lower type of politician than Curley. His sinister influence must be stamped out."

### COAKLEY'S REPLY

In reply, Mr. Coakley stated last night "The Good Government Association never liked me. I was at no time a candidate for their endorsement. In that, I differ from both gentlemen who are my opponents."

The letter of the G. G. A. stated that the September appeal for funds met with a larger response than any other September appeal since 1917—"the year Mr. Peters defeated Mr. Curley for Mayor."

Then the letter states:

"The menace to this community in the candidacies of James M. Curley and Daniel H. Coakley for Mayor can scarcely be over-estimated."

"Mayor Peters said after Curley's first administration, 'On coming into City Hall we found a most terribly disorganized city administration—disorganized through the fact that the whole organization had been permeated by the political methods which emanated from the Mayor's office.' Exactly the same situation existed after Curley's second administration—and in each instance a higher tax rate was the penalty paid by the citizens of Boston for unbusinesslike methods which would have brought bankruptcy on private enterprises. Curley has had the effrontery to boast of this."

"Coakley's record shows him to be an even lower type of politician than Curley. His sinister influence must be stamped out."

"In such a crisis, the voters of Boston are fortunate in having the opportunity to vote for a candidate of Mr. Mansfield's type, who has already announced a constructive programme of development for the city, and whose record at the bar is one of high achievement."

"In order to present to every registered voter in the city a complete account of the records of these candidates, as well as the many council candidates, we must have liberal support from old and new subscribers alike. Within the next four weeks we must have \$25,000 to carry out our programme."

RECORD 10/17/29

# NEW CURLEY CHAMPION IS HIT AT RALLY

By "INSIDER"

Hurling a scornful defi at "those standpat Republican fogies who took off bustles only to wear them as chest protectors," a new Curley champion had won place last night with the picturesque figures of the present Boston mayoral campaign. The latest addition to the list of active pre-election workers was Miss Anna Dunlap, Roxbury piano teacher, who emerged from political obscurity to take first honors as a speaker at the jammed rally of Dorchester women at the Hotel Bellevue.

With her close-cropped white curls flying and her blue eyes snapping briskly through the horn-rimmed spectacles, the little lady took the gathering by storm, receiving applause which put to shame the greetings according to party stalwarts of long established reputation, including Matt Cummings of Dorchester, State Sen. Joseph Mulhern, and high officers of the women's Democratic organization. Miss Dunlap started out by pleading for a "tomahawk for Goo Goo scalps."

Then she gave her feminine hearers cause for long-continued hand-clapping by assuring them that "there were some good Republicans but they died with Abraham Lincoln."

In the course of her attack upon the Good Government Association and G. O. P. policies and personalities, the silver-haired Roxbury teacher coined her line about the bustles and the chest protectors and the folks so old-fashioned that they hadn't got around yet to rid themselves of both.

She was going strong now and found time, between bursts of applause, to recite a Curley poem of her own composition and sweep to a dramatic finish by singing in a thin but carrying voice a Curley anthem, likewise original.

Late last night Curley chiefs were still weaving date books and rally schedules under weary little Miss Dunlap's nose. Boston seemed assured of hearing more of her.

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# IF GOODWIN RUNS TRUE TO FORM



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# CURLEY WOULD 'FIRE' P. U. MEN

## Wants Utilities Board Elected by People--Mansfield Points to Rival's "Garages, Oil Stations"

Immediate removal of the Public Utilities Commission by Governor Allen and the enactment of legislation providing for the election of the members of this State board, in the future, were demanded last night by former Mayor Curley at Dorchester and Brighton rallies before capacity crowds.

### "UNPUNISHED TOO LONG"

"The history of the Massachusetts Public Utilities Commission is one of callous, brutal, arrogant disregard for the rights of the people," charged the former Mayor. "This policy has been permitted to go unchecked and unpunished for too long a period.

"As a reward for loyalty to the public service corporations the membership of the commission as their terms expired were re-appointed. In the light of the sordid history of corporation-sided decisions by the commission, there appears but one course open for his Excellency the Governor if he desires to retain the confidence and good will of the people of the Commonwealth. That is the immediate removal of the present commission and the appointment of men who can be depended upon to act in a more equitable manner toward the parties at interest, the people and the corporations.

"The publicity given to the Public Utilities Commission in the Edison case presents an opportunity for the enactment of legislation providing for the election of the Public Utilities Commission," said Curley, "and I shall deem it both a pleasure and a privilege as Mayor to present such legislation in the event that his Excellency the Governor fails to do so."

### Hits at Mansfield

Curley charged that the silence of his opponent, Frederick W. Mansfield, on this matter, "Were he to obey promptings of his own mind rather than observing a subservient attitude to the Good Government Association bosses he might make some utterances in favor of lower electric lighting rates for the people of Boston."

Curley declared that his fights against the public service corporations during his last administration resulted in a saving of \$3,500,000 to the taxpayers of

Boston through electric light rate reductions, and \$2,000,000 in four reductions in the Boston Consolidated Gas Company's rates from 1922 to 1925.

"When these fights were being waged," said Curley, "I ask where was the Good Government Association and their professed interest in good government? Where was the candidate of the Good Government bosses, who proclaims himself a valiant warrior, labor leader, a big man, my opponent?"

To a large crowd at the Dorchester High School Curley recalled some of the improvements he started during his last administration and questioned the vision of his opponent, who charged that he had left no "monuments." He stated that he had authorized \$16,000,000 worth of improvements for Dorchester in his last four years at City Hall including the \$10,500,000 Dorchester rapid transit extension, the \$320,000 courthouse, \$3,000,000 worth of new schools, \$250,000 worth of parks, \$500,000 worth of new streets, 35 of them, and \$750,000 for permanent paving.

### "Garages," Says Mansfield

Speaking before receptive crowds in Roxbury, former State Treasurer Mansfield charged that "Mr. Curley's monuments are found in the shape of public garages and oil stations in residential districts against the protest of the people."

Mansfield said:

"A short time ago ex-Mayor Curley said, 'I will take the mayoralty like Grant took Richmond.' I am now merely on a vacation from the Mayor's office. Sometimes the tongue reveals the man, his traits and his methods. It is remarks like these that are some of the many reasons why the people on Nov. 5 will extend his vacation for four more years at least. The people see in Mr. Curley one who utterly fails to understand government by the people. He really thinks that as Mayor he is the master of the people, that as such he has complete control of the government, managing it as though it was his personal and private business and that all must do his bidding.

### "Sense Dulled"

"He does not know the simple truth that 'public office is a public trust,' that in a government of the people the people are supreme and that elected officials are servants of the people. His long service in office has dulled his sense of responsibility, if he ever had any.

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**Mansfield**  
**Fighting the Bosses**  
**SPEAKS**  
**TONIGHT, 7:15 P. M.**  
**RADIO**  
**STATION WBZ AND WBZA**  
**Mary Hemmenway School**  
Adams Street, Dorchester, Ward 16  
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**ALL CANDIDATES INVITED**  
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# 10/18 The Good-Will Rehearsal





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# MAYORAL RIVALS RAP EACH OTHER

10/18

## Curley Links Mansfield With Hyde Park School "Steal"; Latter Says Foe Exploits People

Former Mayor Curley went into the Hyde Park and Roslindale districts last night, and before capacity crowds bitterly attacked Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield for "talking loudly against bagmen and crooked contractors" while he himself served as "counsel and adviser" for the new Hyde Park High School contractor in a \$50,000 "steal, according to charges of the Finance Commission."

### "LIKE BORDER WARFARE"

The former Mayor was given a tremendous reception although he was somewhat hoarse when presented by Chairman Frank J. Donahue, of the Democratic State committee, at the Hyde Park Municipal building rally, and by President Henry E. Lawler of the Democratic city committee, at the Roslindale Municipal building.

"The story of the Hyde Park High School," said Curley, "reads like a story of border warfare in the early days or hostilities in Chicago's gangdom in the present day. According to the Finance Commission, three homes were wrecked and the lives of three men, always regarded as model citizens, were sacrificed to protect your client," charged Curley, attacking Mansfield for quoting Grover Cleveland's dictum, "Public office is a public trust."

### "Master and Not Servant"

Over the radio and at large Dorchester and Jamaica Plain rallies, former Treasurer Mansfield renewed his attack on Curley, charging that the former Mayor has taken the attitude of "master and not servant of the people." He also criticized former Mayor Fitzgerald, who is accompanying Curley on his tour of the city, charging that the two former Mayors have been in office long enough.

In return Curley pointed out that the Good Government bosses of his opponent have controlled the city for eight out of the past 12 years, and asked, "Haven't the Goo-Gos had enough?"

### Compares Self With Coolidge

Responding to the Mansfield charge that Curley has had no occupation but public office for the past 25 years, the former Mayor recalled that in this respect he resembled Calvin Coolidge,

Alfred E. Smith, Henry Cabot Lodge, who was 24 years in the Senate; John W. Weeks, who was 14 years in Congress; former Governor McCall, who was 18 years in Congress; "Champ" Clark and "Joe" Cannon, who had 15 terms in Congress.

To prove that experience is recognized in private life, Curley stated that Curtis started his publishing company 50 years ago. Firestone has been in business 29 years, Edison 33 years and Ford 25 years.

### Promises \$5,000,000 for Streets

He drew a laugh from the crowds when he said that if the Good Government candidate used the street car to Hyde Park he would pay only a single fare through benefit of the Curley administration and that if he hastened by motor and was arrested for speeding, he would see the inside of the \$200,000 Hyde Park police station which Curley built.

To his West Roxbury audience Curley promised to spend \$5,000,000 on 500 new streets and called attention to the fact that he had built the monumental West Roxbury court house.

### Brings Up Hyde Park Case

In his attack on Mansfield's legal service for Paul Caputo, the Hyde Park High School contractor, Curley said:

"The hollow pretensions of the Good Government candidate in this campaign deceive no citizen of West Roxbury or Hyde Park. Last night my opponent quoted former President Grover Cleveland that 'public office was a public trust.' What answer can he make as a candidate in this campaign in view of his service as attorney and adviser for the firm of Paul Caputo charged with violation of every provision of their contract for the construction of the Hyde Park High School?"

"What answer have you Mr. Mansfield to make, who talked so loudly of bagmen and crooked contractors and who only ceased to act as counsel for the contractor charged with the erection of the Hyde Park High School when chosen by the good government bosses to be a candidate for Mayor, and upon which contract the Finance Commission claim more than \$50,000 was stolen from the city and upon which contract the city auditor, that honest man, Rupert Carven, has retained since last April \$123,000 of payments. You knew Mr. Mansfield when Rupert Carven, who never will be a politician, retained \$123,000, or the equivalent of one-tenth of the total cost of the job, you knew, and the contractor who engaged your services knew that desperate methods must be employed if he were to be permitted to collect

the money that the Finance Commission claimed he was not entitled to."

### "Power Means Dictatorship"

"To the present time the good government bosses' candidate has failed to discuss a single issue and has devoted his entire time to vituperation, abuse and deliberate falsehood. The one thing upon which greater stress is laid is the fact that he would be content with one term as Mayor and in this respect his position differs materially from that of his political mentors which have sought control of the office of Mayor since the charter was revised in 1909 and who have controlled the office eight of the last 12 years."

Charging that Curley assumes the role of master rather than the servant of the people, Mansfield said:

"The system marked by selfish greed on the part of the money-mad who would again take control of your affairs will be defeated."

"On every hand men and women tell me that it is utterly unthinkable that a majority of the people of this great city will allow themselves to be shackled by a system dominated by Mr. Curley, who fails to understand the rule of majority and equality under the law, by one who in his arrogance believes that he is the master and not the servant of the people. One who has been long in power is apt to lose his perspective. Power to him means proprietorship, ownership, dictatorship. It was against such a man and such a system that the framers of our government wrote Article VIII of the Massachusetts Bill of Rights."

After pointing out that Curley had scored his victories by only small pluralities, Mansfield attacked both his opponent and former Mayor Fitzgerald as perennial candidates, saying:

"Some men and women tell me that it is quite impossible for two men in this great city to hold the highest office within the gift of the people for a generation, thus shutting out everyone else from this honorable office. I refer to John F. Fitzgerald and James M. Curley, both having been Mayor longer than any of Boston's other 37 Mayors, and both perennial candidates at every mayoralty election since 1905. Fitzgerald was in the old Common Council in 1892, almost 40 years ago, and now is close to 70 years of age. Curley started back in 1898, 30 years ago. That's inequality that will be corrected by you, the people of Boston, in the interest of the able, capable, honorable, honest young men and women who may want to hold office, hundreds and thousands of whom are the peers intellectually of either of these two men and are in many particulars their superiors."

"That's the kind of democracy that I want to lead. That's the kind of democracy that an overwhelming majority of the voters of the city believe in. I agree with the men and women who tell me that James M. Curley for these few reasons cannot possibly prevail because he is in no sense of the word a Democrat speaking in the non-partisan sense. He believes in the rule of the few for personal and private interests."

### "Cruelly Exploited"

"The time has long since passed when various men in this city, who have been highly honored by their respective parties, can by espousing the cause of my opponent bring with them the people who so highly honored them in the past. They are not to be driven to the support of a system which has so cruelly exploited them."

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"Of course, Mr. Curley does not base his claim to election on that ground. He claims it on the ground of experience. In the opening paragraph of his first radio speech he said, 'In the present campaign experience that in private employ would be rightly regarded as an asset is a liability and without facts to support the contention the query is made has he not had enough?' This carefully prepared paragraph embodies not alone Mr. Curley's claim to election but also the real issue of the campaign, which is Curley's experience as Boston's Mayor for eight years.

#### Mrs. Barron for Mansfield

"I cannot speak of the kind of Curley experience being regarded as an asset in private employ, because he has never so far as we know been in such employ, and yet Mr. Curley says he is a millionaire."

Declaring that Frederick W. Mansfield represents no particular group, clique or person, "but is the outstanding candidate of all the people," Mrs. Jennie Loitman Barron, who is completing four years' service as the only woman member of the Boston school committee, last night came out in support of Mansfield's candidacy for Mayor.

She plans to take the stump for him and will make her opening speech at the Dorchester High School, Norfolk and Washington streets, on Saturday night.

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## CLOSE TO RIOT DURING RALLY

### Council Candidate Target in Hyde Park

A near riot occurred last night at the Municipal Building in Hyde Park during a political rally in which Clement A. Norton, candidate for the City Council, was heckled and then booed and jeered by a large number of the 1200 persons jammed into the hall.

Norton, a Republican, came into the meeting, which was being held in the interests of his opponent, City Councilor Peter J. Murphy, and ex-Mayor James M. Curley. He was invited to speak by Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, who was presiding at the meeting, and after he had been heckled by men and women and had been jeered by many of the persons in the crowd, he was warned by Donahue that his chief lieutenant, who was not named, must stop making slanderous remarks about him (Donahue).

Donahue, in introducing Norton, stated frankly that Norton had been endorsed by the leading Republicans of the district. In his speech Norton started to attack the record of Murphy in the City Council and before he had proceeded very far he was being heckled by a man in the back of the hall.

This heckler asked if Norton had voted for Governor Smith last year and when Norton started to explain he was shouted down by a chorus of boos, hisses and cat calls. Then a woman in the front of the hall started to question him from the floor and again he was hissed down as he started to reply.

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## DESTINY OF 3 WARDS UP TO WOMEN

### Fair Sex Voters Out- number Men in 5, 19 and 21

The political destiny of at least three wards of the city in the coming election rests definitely with the women voters, according to the registration statistics compiled yesterday by the Board of Election Commissioners at City Hall.

#### G. O. P. WOMEN OUT

In the other 19 wards there are more men voters, although in a few of the districts their lead is very slight. That it is the Republican women who have displayed their political power is evident from the records of the districts.

The women showed the major strength in the registration of voters in the Back Bay, Jamaica Plain, West Roxbury and Brighton, the last remaining strongholds of the Republican party in Boston.

In Ward 5, Back Bay, there are 6248 women voters to only 5253 men. In Ward 19, Jamaica Plain, which was carried four years ago by Mayor Nichols and the Republican candidates, there are now 6799 women voters as opposed to 6601 men. And in Republican Ward 21, Brighton, there are 7154 women voters to 6373 men.

#### Could Dominate Politics

Veteran political leaders feel that the women could dominate the politics of the city if they would take enough interest to register as voters and cast ballots at the polls. For in the police listing it was revealed that there are almost 20,000 more women than men in the city. The canvass made by the police on April 1 showed 238,982 men and 254,268 women.

But the women did not bother to register so that the final figures taken at the close of registration showed 152,091 men voters and 127,272 women voters, giving Boston 279,363 voters eligible to go to the polls on Nov. 5.

#### Only Service Men Can Register

The only citizens who are now permitted to register are soldiers, sailors and marines who were absent from the city during the registration period from July 2 to Oct. 16. These service men under a special law may register as voters up to within three days of election. Past experience has disclosed that very few of the service men take advantage of this special clause. In other years not more than six service men have come in following the close of the regular registration.

Boston's registered voters by wards and sex:

	Men	Women
Ward 1	9,269	5,865
Ward 2	7,152	8,048
Ward 3	8,422	2,787
Ward 4	5,708	5,477
Ward 5	5,253	6,248
Ward 6	6,581	5,118
Ward 7	6,921	5,309
Ward 8	5,183	4,681
Ward 9	5,794	4,206
Ward 10	6,113	5,602
Ward 11	6,269	5,363
Ward 12	6,982	5,295
Ward 13	6,262	5,638
Ward 14	9,391	5,270
Ward 15	6,400	5,947
Ward 16	7,581	6,891
Ward 17	7,097	6,979
Ward 18	8,334	7,062
Ward 19	6,601	6,799
Ward 20	7,772	7,745
Ward 21	6,373	7,154
Ward 22	6,624	5,725
Totals	152,091	127,272

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FREDERICK W. MANSFIELD  
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Theodore Roosevelt School

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ALL CANDIDATES INVITED

Signature: D. W. FLYNN.

16 Centre St., Dorchester

Hasn't Curley Had Enough?



# Curley Uses His Foe's Words as Boomerang

10/18

By "INSIDER"

"Public office is a public trust" candidate Frederick W. Mansfield quoted, hurling at the head of ex-Mayor Curley the shot that he does not so regard it, but the campaigning veteran Curley used the quotation as a boomerang on Mansfield last night in rallies at Hyde Park and Roslindale.

"What answer have you Mr. Mansfield, to make, who talked so loudly of bagmen and crooked contractors, and who only ceased to act as counsel for the contractor charged with fraud of more than \$50,000 in the erection of Hyde Park high school, when chosen by the Good Government bosses to be a candidate for mayor?" Curley answered another point of his opponent when he reminded Hyde Park and Roslindale folks that the single fare to Boston from the Dedham line was engineered during the Curley regime.

Jewish voters lined up yesterday for their favorite candidates. Mrs. Jennie Loitman Barron, member of the school committee for four years, announced that she will support the candidacy of Frederick W. Mansfield. She lauded Mansfield as "fair, upright and fearless," and as the "champion of the laboring man and woman."

Hyman Manovitch, Mattapan war veteran, declared himself on Curley's side and promised him the Jewish vote of Ward 14, turning a pretty phrase on Curley's reputed financial shrewdness by saying, "The wage earners and the business men of Boston have decided it's time we had a Jewish head in charge of city hall."

School Committee Candidate Henry A. Sasserno of West Roxbury is a graduate of Harvard College, Toulouse (Fr.) University, and the Harvard School of Business Administration. He's been a college instructor and for five years a teacher in Boston high schools.

He scored a hit with a Roxbury audience by the following lightning calculation:

"The public," he said, "has a right to ask that a school committee candidate have his two eyes on the job he is asking for. There are certain of my opponents, however, who have one-half of one eye on the job at stake and one eye and one-half on the future which may follow the job."

Mrs. Charles S. Sullivan, wife of the Charlestown district court's presiding justice, boasted yesterday at the Women's Democratic Headquarters rally:

"The babies of Charlestown always learn the same words first—'What precinct do I vote in?'"

"West far into the Berkshires, north half-way to the Presidential ranje, south among the sandy dunes of picturesque Cape Cod, all along the highway are

hundreds of signboards reading, 'Boston Needs Curley.'"

It was School Committeeman Joseph V. Lyons speaking, at a Mansfield rally, and the ring of honest indignation was in his voice.

Nature-loving motorists in the audience leaned back receptively, anticipating an attack upon Jim Curley for defacing the scenic beauties of New England.

They didn't know the political mind. It was votes, not mountains, that were worrying Dr. Lyons. He had a graver fault than spoiling scenery to lay at the Curley door. "I'll tell you what those bill boards prove," he roared. "They prove that ex-Mayor Curley

is advertising himself abroad for the purpose of running for governor in 1932.

The "over-ambitious" campaigning of Candidate Curley was also the subject of ironic comment by Frederick W. Mansfield, his opponent.

"The Curley forces use the city directory for a mailing list," Mansfield asserted. "They don't miss a single prospective voter. I, myself, get a letter every 20 minutes trying to make me a Curley convert."

Photographs, not future prospects of would-be entrants are what Harvard considers in picking eligible freshmen, according to Nyman H. Kolodny, candidate for the Boston school committee. He declares that while beauty, not brains, is a requisite for admission to existing institutions, it's high time the Hub had a city college of its own.

Candidate Clement A. Norton, Republican ward committee indorsed aspirant for the City Council in Hyde Park, certainly has plenty of courage. Through a barrage of boos, hisses and the ringing of cowbells he assailed the record of Councillor Peter J. Murphy, Democratic ward committee indorsed, at a Democratic rally attended by 1200 persons in the Hyde Park Municipal Building. Murphy answered with plenty of spirit. "Glad to see such a militant spirit," said former Mayor James M. Curley, who was on the platform at the time. "Hope the best man wins."

## MANSFIELD SCORED AS INEXPERIENCED

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Barry Says He Is Allied With G. O. P. Directors

Declaring that the "Good Government Republican" candidate for Mayor has no foresight or no conception of the needs of this city, Edward P. Barry, ex-Lieutenant Governor, today launched an attack upon Frederick W. Mansfield at the noonday rally conducted at the Women's Democratic Headquarters, 19 Beacon st.

Before 500 women, Mr Barry termed Mr Mansfield inexperienced in the conduct of municipal government and cited several instances of failures pertaining to governmental matters which involved the taxpayers, not only of the city, but the State as well.

"Mr Mansfield has always allied himself with the bosses when it was for his interests, and when it was not possible he allied himself with the directors of the Republican party, and he is allied with them now," said Mr Barry.

William G. O'Hare, a former member of the School Committee, said: "Mr Curley typifies to me the ideal type of American citizenship and knows more about municipal administration than any man in this contest. You never saw such a comprehensive knowledge of the city's business displayed in any other man."

Other speakers were Mrs Colln W. MacDonald, who introduced Mrs Charles S. Sullivan, wife of the justice of the Charlestown Court, as the presiding officer. Mrs Sarah Green McNulty also was a speaker.

# HITS MANSFIELD IN SCHOOL CASE

Curley Scores Service as  
Attorney for Firm Under  
Fire of Fin. Com.

## EX-MAYOR DICTATOR, SAYS HIS OPPONENT

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Launching forth in typical Curley style, now that his intensive registration campaign is at an end, former Mayor Curley last night delivered his strongest and most bitter attack on former State Treasurer Frederick W. Mansfield in the Hyde Park municipal building when he took his opponent to task "for his service as attorney and adviser for the firm of Paul Caputo, charged with violation of every provision of their contract in the construction of the Hyde Park high school."

"What answer have you to make Mr. Mansfield," Curley asked his audience that filled the auditorium to overflowing, "who talked so loudly of bagmen and crooked contractors and who only ceased to act as counsel for the contractor charged with the erection of the Hyde Park high school when chosen by the Good Government bosses to be a candidate for mayor, and upon which contract the finance commission claim more than \$50,000 was stolen from the city and upon which contract the city auditor, Rupert Carven, that honest man, has retained since last April \$123,000 of payments."

While the Curley address was made in the old time Curley style, marked by the punctuations and pauses so well known to the former mayor, he was somewhat handicapped by a touch of laryngitis which became more marked toward the end of his speech. He stated that he expects his throat to be well cleared up for tomorrow night.

While Curley was attacking Mansfield and the Good Government Association, the former state treasurer was delivering addresses in Jamaica Plain and Dorchester following his radio address of 15 minutes from station WBZA, in which he declared that Curley's long service has made the former mayor believe that he is the master of the people and not the servant.

"The system marked by selfish greed on the part of the money mad who would again take control of your affairs will be defeated," Mansfield said to a cheering audience in the Agassiz school in Jamaica Plain. "On every hand men and women tell me that it is utterly unthinkable that a majority of the people of this great city will allow themselves to be shackled by a system dominated by Mr. Curley, who fails to understand the rule of majority and equality under the law, by one who in his arrogance believes that he is the master and not the servant of the people. One who has been long in power is apt to lose his perspective.

Power to him means proprietorship, ownership, dictatorship. It was against such a man and such a system that the framers of our government wrote article VIII of the Massachusetts Bill of Rights."

Citing Curley's record in office holding, Mansfield declared that in the spirit of article VIII of the bill of rights, the people will see to it that Curley will be kept in private life for four more years, dating from Nov. 5.

"Some men and women tell me," Mansfield said, "that it is quite impossible for two men in this great city to hold the highest office within the gift of the people for a generation. I refer to John F. Fitzgerald and James M. Curley, both having been mayor

longer than any of Boston's other 37 mayors and both perennial candidates at every mayoralty election since 1905. That's inequality that will be corrected by you, the people of Boston, in the interests of the able, capable, honorable, honest young men and women who may want to hold office, hundreds and thousands of whom are the peers intellectually of either of these two men and are in many particulars their superiors."

My opponent's slogan in the beginning was "Boston Needs Curley." That has been changed under the articles he is writing to "What Boston Needs." The answer to that question is simple but Mr. Curley has not answered it. The city of Boston needs an honest administration for the next four years. That is the kind of administration the great majority of the people want. It follows that the result of the election is not in doubt. I will keep faith with the people.

After taking Mansfield to task for employing the quotation of former President Grover Cleveland that "public office was a public trust," former Mayor Curley informed his enthusiastic Hyde Park audience that "the story of the Hyde Park high school reads like a story of border warfare in the early days, or hostilities in Chicago's gang-dom in the present day."

"According to the finance commission," Curley charged, "three homes were wrecked, and the lives of three men, always regarded as model citizens, were sacrificed to protect your client. What a mockery, what an insult to the intelligent electorate of Boston to quote Cleveland, 'Public office is a public trust.'"

To the present time the Good Government bosses' candidate has failed to discuss a single issue and has devoted his entire time to

## Tonight's Rally List Of Mayoral Candidates

James M. Curley and Frederick W. Mansfield, two of Boston's mayoral candidates will hold rallies tonight at the following places:

Curley — Robert Gould Shaw school on Mount Vernon street, West Roxbury, M. H. Corcoran presiding and the Agassiz school on Burroughs street, Jamaica Plain, Fred J. McLaughlin presiding.

Mansfield — Theodore Roosevelt school, Eggleston square, Roxbury, Hugh J. Campbell presiding, and Roger Walcott school, Norfolk street, Dorchester, Max Ulin presiding. The latter rally is under the direction of the Mansfield Veterans' Association.

vituperation, abuse and deliberate falsehood. The one thing upon which greater stress is laid is the fact that he would be content with one term as mayor and in this respect his position differs materially from that of his political mentors which have sought control of the office of mayor since the charter was revised in 1909 and who have controlled the office eight of the last 12 years. In view of the lack of accomplishments and the burden of cost of government imposed on the people the question that should be asked is 'Hasn't the Good Government Association had too much?'

The former mayor then quotes the office holding records of many prominent men of the country in answer to the charge that has been placed against him. He cites Calvin Coolidge's 25 years in public office without any other occupation; Gov. Smith's 25 years in political life with four terms as Governor of New York; the late Gov. Samuel W. McCall's 25 years of service; the late Senator Lodge's 24 years in the U. S. Senate; and the 15 terms in the House of Representatives of Champ Clark and Joseph Cannon.

He then recalled the improvements in the Hyde Park section and declared that it was through him that the people of that district received a single fare to Boston. He cited the Hyde Park police station that was built under him at a cost of \$200,000 and the Washington Irving school built at a cost of \$1,630,000, ending up with a resume of his work in West Roxbury. Daniel H. Coakley, Boston's last entry into the three-cornered mayoral fight, delivered a short address to his campaign workers last night and declared that he had made strenuous although ineffectual efforts to have Curley and Mansfield share the platform with him at his opening rally in Symphony hall Monday night.

"I shall make a final personal demand on Curley and Mansfield," he said, "when all three of us go on the air again from Station WNAC Saturday night. I shall place the real issues of the campaign before the voters of this city if I have to go right into the Curley and Mansfield rallies and get their answers in front of their own audiences."

## BACKS MANSFIELD

Mrs. Jennie L. Barron States Her Preference

Mrs. Jennie Loitman Barron, member of the school committee, who is not a candidate for re-election, last night announced her support of the candidacy of Frederick W. Mansfield in a statement in which she declared that Mansfield represents no particular group, clique or person, but is the outstanding candidate of all the people.

Her indorsement follows: I have known Mr. Mansfield for many years, and have always found him upright, fair and fearless. I admire him for his character and his achievements. Mr. Mansfield represents every strata of our cosmopolitan city. Springing from the common people, he rose to leadership among them, not only politically, but also professionally, and particularly as the adviser and friend of labor. His rise in his chosen profession is exemplified by his election to the presidency of the Massachusetts bar, but even here his prominence has not been as a corporation lawyer, but always as the outstanding champion of the



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cause of the laboring man and woman. He has won the admiration and respect of his opponents, as well as his friends, for his outstanding fairness. His platform is strong, fair and progressive. It shows that he is fighting for principles and not for self.

Also, I believe in rotation of office. The constitution of Massachusetts itself emphasizes the importance of this principle. If eight years has been enough to satisfy any President of the United States, eight years ought to be enough to satisfy any man as mayor of the city of Boston.

Mr. Mansfield's candidacy makes a special appeal to every man and woman interested in the clean and efficient government of Boston. He represents no particular group, clique or person, but is the outstanding candidate of all the people.

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## MANSFIELD'S RECORD ASSAILED BY CURLEY

### 10/18 Ex-Mayor Cites Many Long Terms in Office

Charging that his opponent for the Mayoralty, Frederick W. Mansfield, has "failed to discuss a single issue and has devoted his entire time to vituperation and abuse," Ex-Mayor James M. Curley, speaking last night at meetings in the municipal buildings at Roslindale and in Hyde Park, launched an attack upon his opponent's record. On the platform with the ex-Mayor were Henry E. Lawler, president of the Democratic City Committee; Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald and Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic State Committee.

Taking up "the cry of the single term," the Ex-Mayor cited the examples of Ex-President Calvin Coolidge, who was for 25 years a politician and served two terms as President; Alfred E. Smith, four times Governor of New York, the late Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, for 24 years a member of the United States Senate; John W. Weeks, for seven terms secretary of the Navy; Ex-Gov McCall, member of Congress for 13 years, and numerous others.

The Ex-Mayor concluded with a resume of the improvements which he made in Hyde Park during his last term as Mayor and announced his intention of "expending, if necessary, \$5,000,000 for the construction of unaccepted streets throughout Boston and to prosecute the work with vigor.

"I propose that play streets shall be established throughout the city from which vehicles shall be prohibited during certain hours of each day."

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## RALLIES TONIGHT AT 8 P. M.

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## MANSFIELD ATTACKS CURLEY IN RADIO TALK

Frederick W. Mansfield candidate for Mayor, in his speech over the air from Station WBZA last night, charged that his opponent, James M. Curley, and Curley's supporter, John F. Fitzgerald, had practically monopolized the direction of the city government for years.

A new democracy, he said, non-partisan, made up of the thousands of wage earners who pay the taxes, was tired of the contention that the rich pay the taxes. For that reason he declared, the inefficient manner in which Curley had conducted the city government in the past, prophesied his defeat in November.

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## COAKLEY TO CHALLENGE HIS OPPONENTS AT WNAC

Unable to get in touch with his opponents, Messrs Curley and Mansfield, yesterday in order to invite them to his meeting at Symphony Hall Monday night, Daniel H. Coakley, speaking to his workers last night, said that he would make another attempt today to get his challenge across.

"I shall make a final personal demand upon them at WNAC studio on Saturday evening, when all three of us go on the air again. Long before the end of this campaign the voters are to know the real issues and where the candidates stand if I have to go right into the Curley and Mansfield rallies and get their answers in front of their own audiences."

# City Campaign Showing Signs 10/19 of More Life

Most Indifferent Ever Known,  
Largely Due to Curley's  
Speaking Plans

By Forrest P. Hull

Two weeks from next Tuesday citizens of Boston will go to the polls to elect a mayor and two members of the school committee for four years and twenty-two members of the city council for two years. For mayor there are three candidates, for school committee twelve and for the city council nearly one hundred. Years ago a campaign of such widespread municipal concern would have split the city wide open politically; today it is seldom that one encounters a man on the street, in clubs or hotels who broaches the subject. Even Daniel H. Coakley, seasoned campaigner, remarks that he has never seen a major political contest in which, at this stage, there was so little public interest. There are many attempts to explain the indifference. In the first place the three candidates for mayor—Coakley, Curley, Mansfield—are dyed-in-the-wool Democrats of the same race and religion. Again, there have been no outstanding features in their contest, largely influenced by Mr. Curley's strategy to limit his speaking campaign to the two weeks preceding election. But the explanation which the young ward politicians are offering is that the public is fast getting away from so-called gang control or leadership and that those who aspire to the power of the old leaders have little opportunity for a hearing.

## Much Under the Surface

These ward politicians, whether of Curley, Coakley or Mansfield affiliations are saying that no mayoral campaign in their memory has been so difficult to analyze. Curley had a great majority of the fraternity before Mansfield entered the fight, but it is apparent that the latter has been making great gains along these pathways in the last two weeks. So much is being done under the surface that the comparing of notes from one section of the city throws little light on the situation.

That the advent of the woman voter is an element of constant uncertainty is not denied. In fact, the politicians say that the chief interest in the mayoral fight appears to be among the women who have held many meetings and have largely aided in registering thousands of new voters. Curley well knew during the campaign for Governor Smith that the women could be marshaled by solid lines for his own campaign and he has voted much of his time and thought to their organization.

The only thing that will give the contest the flavor of the old days is increasing activity on the stump from now on, in the opinion of the politicians, and there are indications that the three mayoral candidates are ready to fly at each other with all their energy. In fact, it has been difficult for Curley's friends to restrain his activity within the limits he set for himself months ago. These friends realize that he cannot depend alone on the Democratic vote, no matter how well his campaign appears to date. They want every possible Republican vote—and there are more than 75,000 in the city—and to that end it is political wisdom to conserve the good opinions from Republicans which they assert have been received in wholesale measure.

But to attract the Republican vote in large numbers it will not do to drag the Nichols administration into the campaign as former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald did last night, in his speeches for Curley. From the strictly Republican standpoint, Curley is severely on trial; he can largely destroy or greatly augment his interests, by his course from now on. But, it is likewise true, that Republicans would like to see the three Democratic aspirants go at each other hammer and tongs. The more life the better, they assert.

Mansfield has been slamming Curley hard during the week, and last night, thoroughly aroused by Curley's attack upon his services as counsel for the contractor in the alleged Hyde Park high school scandal, he charged that his opponent was "a foul and ruthless fighter" whose campaign insinuations were "an insult to every lawyer in the State."

Before crowded rallies in Jamaica Plain and West Roxbury last night, the former mayor, picking up Mansfield's alleged statement made at a rally a few nights ago to the effect that he was not the candidate of the Good Government Association, asked Mansfield whose candidate he professed to be, amid the cheers of the "standing room only" crowd that filled the auditorium in the Agassiz School.

"That statement should be food for thought for Abigail Homans and Malcolm Greenough, both of whom are considered by their friends as intelligent," Curley declared. "If Mr. Mansfield is not the candidate of the Democratic party in Boston, and is not the candidate of the Republican party in Boston and now proclaims himself as not the candidate of the Good Government Association in Boston, will he kindly inform the public just what outside of his own selfish ambitions he does represent?"

Curley informed his audience that every one of the Democratic leaders who are now working in his behalf supported Mansfield when he was a candidate on the Democratic ticket for governor. Curley further declared that he personally raised the sum of \$15,000 to help along "that unfortunate campaign."

Daniel H. Coakley, who opens his campaign in earnest with a rally in Symphony Hall Monday night, addressed groups of his workers in Brighton and that the chief interest in the mayoral fight appears to be among the women that the only hope of the people in the who have held many meetings and have present campaign is to take it into their largely aided in registering thousands of own hands and vote without any boss new voters. Curley well knew during the dictation. He announced that he will pay his respects to his two opponents over women could be marshaled by solid lines the air tonight "as far as censorship for his own campaign and he has to permits."

# POET OF ERIN BACKS CURLEY

James Meade isn't a citizen yet, but he's lined up as a sort of moral support with the Curley-for-mayor cohorts.

Meade has even written a poem about James M. Curley, former chief executive of the Hub, who expects to be its next also.

Since coming to America from the Irish town of Miltownmalvey, in County Clare, a month less than a year ago, James Meade—his home is on Byron st., East Boston—has written considerable poetry for Irish papers here and in New York.

Here is his poem on Curley, written after meeting the ex-mayor and present candidate at the Curley headquarters, 22 Province st.:

*Shall "auld acquaintance be forgot in days of auld lang syne";*

*The same is true of Boston in nineteen twenty-nine.*

*All aboard the Curley van, is Boston's slogan call,*

*And steer it fast, we want him back in Boston City Hall.*

*Who won't vote for Curley? Now folks, what do you say?*

*On the glorious first of January will dawn the long-watched day,*

*And the people of great Boston do solemnly declare,*

*They will gladly face the future with Jim Curley as their mayor.*

*A champion of democracy, that really is his name,*

*Who has helped to slay hypocrisy and further Boston's fame.*

*The goodie-goodies tell us that Curley's had enough,*

*But Boston, too, has had its fill of this "fool the Irish" stuff.*



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# STRAW VOTE 10/19 FOR MAYOR

## Traveler Ballot Gives Opportunity for You to Express Choice

Vote for your favorite candidate for mayor of Boston.

All Boston is interested in the Boston Traveler straw vote for mayor.

Daily the Traveler is printing a straw ballot. If you are registered as a Boston voter, mark the ballot and mail it to the address given on the ballot. Do not vote if you are not a resident of Boston and do not vote if you are not registered for the coming election.

There is a lot of guessing and figuring as to who is to be next mayor. The best way available for testing public sentiment is to take a straw vote. This the Boston Traveler is doing and as fast as the returns are tabulated, day by day, the results will be published in the Traveler. The ballot was printed first yesterday and already the votes are piling up. They are being counted as rapidly and accurately as possible and the information gathered from them will be published in this newspaper.

Do not bring your vote to the office of the Traveler. If you do it will not be counted. Only votes coming by mail will be considered valid. The ballot is in today's Traveler. The names and pictures of the three candidates for mayor of Boston appear on the ballot. Mark a cross in the square opposite the name of your favorite candidate.

After you have marked the ballot, clip it out, put it into an envelope and mail it to BALLOT EDITOR, Boston Traveler, postoffice box 180, Essex station, Boston, Mass.

The votes will be counted and the result announced in the Traveler daily. There is much discussion as to the outcome of the election and the nearest approach to an accurate forecast as to what will result is a straw vote. Even that method is not perfect, but it is the best there is. So mark your ballot now, but do not do so unless you are registered as a voter in the city of Boston.

In the mean time watch the Traveler day by day for the latest news of the campaign.

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# MANSFIELD AND CURLEY CALL NAMES

## Both Make Red Hot Speeches in the Campaign

Aroused for the first time during the campaign by former Mayor Curley's attack upon his service as counsel for the contractor in the alleged Hyde Park high school scandal, Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield last night struck back with both fists at Jamaica Plain and Dorchester rallies where he charged that his opponent was a "foul and ruthless fighter" whose campaign insinuations were "an insult to every lawyer in the State."

### RECALLS OIL PROBE

Digging into the former Mayor's last administration at City Hall, Mansfield recalled the Tylose oil probe and asked, "Would Mr. Curley have the public believe that his lawyer was equally guilty with him of the scandalous charges that were preferred against him at that time?"

Mansfield admitted that he served as counsel for Contractor Paul Caputo during the recent Finance Commission investigation of the Hyde Park High School construction job, but he explained that he withdrew upon announcing his candidacy for Mayor. He charged that the former Mayor had "no conception of professional ethics."

"Mr. Curley might as well say that the lawyer who defends a murderer is guilty of murder himself, or that the doctor who treats a patient is suffering from the patient's ailment," snapped Mansfield.

### Says Pledge Broken

He accused Curley of breaking his "good will" pledge to refrain from "vilification and abuse" in the campaign by "stooping to the particularly base insinuations which he has used against me."

Curley, speaking at crowded Jamaica Plain and West Roxbury rallies, hammered away at his opponent, accusing him of rank "ingratitude." Curley declared that as Mayor of Boston he raised \$15,000 which was spent by the Democratic City committee in the interests of the former State Treasurer's gubernatorial campaign. He declared that all the Democratic leaders were behind Mansfield then and that they are all behind Curley now excepting only

Mansfield.

Charging that Mansfield had told a rally crowd, "I am not the Good Government Association candidate," Curley asked, "If Mr. Mansfield is not the candidate of the Democratic party in Boston and is not the candidate of the Republican party in Boston and now proclaims himself as not the candidate of the Good Government Association in Boston, will he kindly inform the public just what, outside his own selfish ambitions does he represent?"

### Quotes Dr. Emerson

Curley called his opponent to task for claiming the former Mayor was not responsible for starting the health unit programme in the city. He produced records of 1916 in which Dr. Haven Emerson of Columbia University and other noted health authorities pointed to former Mayor Curley as the founder of this work.

Mansfield announced last night that the Ward 4 Democratic committee in the Back Bay had endorsed his candidacy, following the steps taken by the Ward 6 committee in South Boston and the Ward 15 committee in Dorchester.

In his first rallying attack against Curley last night, Mansfield said:

### "Foul Fighter"

"Curley is a foul fighter. He always has been. His recent attack upon me is typical of the man. In his customary ruthless fashion he is attempting to implicate me in an alleged scandal involving the Hyde Park High School. He knows there is absolutely no truth whatever in these insinuations. Apparently he has no conception of professional ethics when he attempts to criticize a lawyer for defending a client."

"The builder for the Hyde Park High School has not been proved guilty. Charges have been made against him by the Finance Commission. He has the right to present his defence and until that defence is presented neither Mr. Curley nor anyone else has a right to assume that he is guilty. As counsel I did what any upright lawyer would do and defended my client while I was counsel. I resigned as counsel when I announced my candidacy as I deemed it unethical to represent anyone as attorney whose case might have to come before me later as Mayor."

### Defends Slattery

"Mr. Curley attempts to implicate Mr. Francis E. Slattery who was appointed to public office by him. Everyone who knows Mr. Slattery knows that he is an honest, upright citizen and Mr. Curley's unfair attack upon Mr. Slattery and upon a man who has not had an opportunity to present his defence to the public will merely cause all of Mr. Slattery's friends, and all right-thinking people, to vote for me."

### Calls Mansfield Ingrate

Labelling Mansfield as an ingrate, Curley described his opponent with a quotation from Shakspeare, saying:

"I am satisfied that supreme master of English rhetoric, William Shakspeare, must have had in mind a character similar in every way to my opponent in the present mayoralty contest when he wrote the lines:

"Blow, blow thou cruel winter wind  
Thou art no so unkind as man's ingratitude,  
Thy tooth is not so keen because thou art not seen

Although thy breath be rude."

"When Mr. Mansfield was a candidate for Governor everyone of the Democratic leaders that are now working in my behalf for the mayoralty supported his candidacy. I was Mayor when Mr. Mansfield was a candidate and interested in party success. I raised to

turner his candidacy and expended through the Democratic city committee \$15,000. It was an unfortunate campaign. Substantially every Democratic leader of standing in the present campaign has been characterized as a 'boss' by my opponent.

### Health Unit Work

"My opponent does me an injustice when he attempts to deprive me of the credit for fathering the health unit movement in Boston. The Blossom Street Health Unit was made possible by the encouragement and financial support given it by me as Mayor in 1916. At that time health centres development was in its infancy. The value of this service is best attested by the fact that 100,000 persons in the West End section of Boston in 1921 were served through this one agency."

"The gift of George Robert White I have always believed was the most courageous expression of faith in his fellow Americans that any man had ever furnished. It was made in 1922 when muck-rakers, demagogues, and quibblers were as greatly in evidence in the nation as they are in the present campaign. Despite the fact that press and demagogues were shaking the confidence of the public generally, this great man, firm in his faith in the honesty of public officials, made a provision in his will that this huge trust, representing realty in excess of \$5,500,000 be administered by a committee consisting of the Mayor of Boston, City Auditor of Boston, president of the Boston City Council, president of the Bar Association and president of the Chamber of Commerce."



# FITZGERALD HITS NICHOLS REGIME

Scores Administration and  
G. G. A. Speaking at  
Curley Rally

## MANSFIELD ASSAILS OPPONENT'S TACTICS

By CHARLES A. COYLE

Making the charge that "Boston's municipal affairs have been a stench in the nostrils of the people since the Good Government Association indorsed Mayor Nichols four years ago," former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, campaigning for former Mayor Curley last night threatened to draw Mayor Nichols into the three-cornered fight for the School street chair.

Coming with sudden unexpectedness, former Mayor Fitzgerald's unlooked for attack on the Nichols administration is expected to have far reaching results, especially following former Mayor Curley's attack on Robert J. Bottomly, close friend and adviser of Mayor Nichols made last week.

Severely denouncing former Mayor Curley for attacking him because he acted as counsel for the contractor who erected the Hyde Park high school, Frederick W. Mansfield in rallies in Dorchester, Roxbury and East Boston last night termed the former mayor "a foul fighter" and declared that he "merely insults the intelligence of every voter in Boston and every lawyer in the commonwealth."

"Every accused person is entitled to be defended by counsel and to meet his accusers face to face," Mansfield informed the crowds that cheered him. "In his customary ruthless fashion Curley is attempting to implicate me in an alleged scandal involving the Hyde Park high school. When Mr. Curley was defended in the Tylos scandal would he have the public believe that his lawyer was equally guilty with him of the scandalous charges that were preferred against him at that time? He knows there is absolutely no truth whatever in these insinuations. Apparently he has no conception of professional ethics when he attempts to criticize a lawyer for defending a client."

Mansfield declared that Curley's protestation at the City Club a week ago that he would refrain and his supporters also from vilification and abuse in his campaign was insincere.

"This bully for 25 years has done nothing else but vilify every decent man who ever dared oppose him and within 48 hours after his statement that there would be no vilification and abuse he stoops to the particularly base insinuation which he has used against me."

### ONCE HELPED MANSFIELD

Former Mayor Curley campaigned in his home sector, Jamaica Plain, last night when he addressed a large crowd in the Agassiz school and declared that Mansfield had done him an injustice when he attempted to deprive him of the credit for fathering the health unit movement in Boston.

The former mayor, picking up Mansfield's alleged statement made at a rally a few nights ago to the effect that he was not the candidate of the Good Government Association, asked Mansfield whose candidate he professed to be, amid the cheers of the "standing room only" crowd that filled the auditorium in the Agassiz school.

"That statement should be food for thought for Abigail Homans and Malcolm Greenough, both of whom are considered by their friends as intelligent," Curley declared. "If Mr. Mansfield is not the candidate of the Democratic party in Boston, and is not the candidate of the Republican party in Boston and now proclaims himself as not the candidate of the Good Government Association in Boston, will he kindly inform the public just what outside of his own selfish ambitions he does represent?"

Curley informed his audience that every one of the Democratic leaders who are now working in his behalf supported Mansfield when he was a candidate on the Democratic ticket for Governor. Curley further declared that he personally raised the sum of \$15,000 to help along "that unfortunate campaign."

Curley insisted that he has always given the greatest praise to the benevolence of the late George Robert White, whose gift to the city was made during his second administration and made possible the health units which were started by him. He declared that he selected George Phelan as manager of the fund not because he was a personal friend, but because "he was regarded as the ablest real estate expert in Boston."

The former mayor then reviewed the improvements made in the Jamaica Plain and Dorchester districts during his second administration and included the \$1,600,000 for streets and sewers, \$350,000 for park roads, \$50,000 for playgrounds and \$2,000,000 for new schools.

Mansfield, in the course of his speeches last night came to the defence of Francis E. Slattery, chairman of the schoolhouse commission, which had charge of the erection of the Hyde Park high school, and called Curley's attack on Slattery, who was looked upon as a candidate for mayor until the Tuesday after Labor day, "unfair."

Mansfield said:

### DEFENDS SLATTERY

Mr. Curley attempts to implicate Mr. Francis E. Slattery who was appointed by him to public office. Everyone who knows Mr. Slattery knows that he is an honest, upright citizen, and Mr. Curley's attack upon Mr. Slattery and upon a man who has had no opportunity to present his defence to the public will merely cause all of Mr. Slattery's friends and all right-thinking people to vote for me.

This unfair and low attack is exactly typical of Curley. I am happy to say that I never was under investigation by any tribunal—judicial, semi-judicial, legislative or executive. When the finance commission was investigating a sum of \$10,000 received by Mr. Curley in his last campaign, Mr. Curley said under oath:

"You evolve an entirely new decalogue of politics if you expect that every statement issued in the heat of a campaign, when the candidate is occupied every minute of his time, must be absolutely true."

Mr. Curley's insinuations about me are equally untrue. He is a dangerous man. He has had enough and must go.

Daniel H. Coakley, who opens his campaign in earnest with a rally in Symphony hall Monday night, addressed three groups of his workers in Brighton and Allston last night in which he declared that the only hope of the people in the present campaign is to take it into their own hands and vote without any boss dictation. He announced that he will pay his respects to his two opponents over the air tonight "as far as censorship permits."

Former Mayor Curley will be the principal speaker at a rally and concert in the Shawmut Theatre tomorrow morning at which Harry J. Greenblatt will preside. Besides the appearance of several well known singers and entertainers, the following speakers will address the gathering: Samuel Kalesky, Daniel J. Gillen, Jacob Wiseman, Arthur Corbett and former Fire Commissioner Theodore A. Glynn.

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## COAKLEY FINDS LITTLE INTEREST IN CAMPAIGN

Daniel H. Coakley, candidate for Mayor of Boston, said last night at three different gatherings of women, at Brighton and Allston house parties, that he had never seen a major political contest in which, at this stage, there was so little public interest. He declared the Curley campaign interest nobody and the Mansfield campaign hasn't even started, while the Coakley campaign is just getting under way.

He promised that tonight at 8 o'clock over Station WNAC he will pay his compliments "to Mr. Curley and Mr. Mansfield and his Goo Goo backers, so far as censorship permits." He said he will quote his opponents from the records, not memory, and discuss issues.

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# CURLEY DECLARES MANSFIELD INGRATE

Says Men He Hits Backed  
Him for Governor

Ex-Mayor Fitzgerald Talks at Both  
of Curley Rallies

Accusing Frederick W. Mansfield of ingratitude, Ex-Mayor James M. Curley launched another attack on his opponent last night at rallies at Robert Gould Shaw School, West Roxbury, and Agassiz School, Jamaica Plain.

"When Mr Mansfield was a candidate for Governor every one of the Democratic leaders that are now working in my behalf for the Mayoralty supported his candidacy," Mr Curley said. "I was Mayor when Mr Mansfield was a candidate and interested in party success. I raised to further his candidacy and expended through the Democratic City Committee, \$15,000. It was an unfortunate campaign. Substantially every Democratic leader of standing in the present campaign has been characterized as a 'boss' by my opponent, and there is a possibility that, before the campaign ends, if one may judge of his speech last night, that the Good Government bosses responsible for his indorsement, because of their failure to secure the necessary funds from gullible Republicans and Democrats to conduct the character of a campaign that Mr Mansfield feels should be conducted in his behalf, may feel the sting of his tongue."

## Health Unit Issue

Mr Curley took up the health unit movement again, saying,

"My opponent does me an injustice when he attempts to deprive me of the credit for fathering the health unit movement in Boston. The Blossom-st health unit was made possible by the encouragement and financial support given it by me as Mayor in 1916. At that time health centers development was in its infancy. The value of this service is best attested by the fact that 100,000 persons in the West End section of Boston in 1924 were served through this one agency."

"At the dedication of the first health unit in the North End during my service as Mayor I stated that the George Robert White fund unit in the North End of Boston was a monument not only to the generosity of a great Boston citizen, but it was more than that. It was an incentive to added service on the part of every individual in the community. In accepting the keys of the structure, I stated that I did so with the realization of the value the institution would prove to America and future generations in the conservation of the most valued product of any land—a healthy womanhood and manhood."

"The gift of George Robert White I have always believed was the most courageous expression of faith in his fellow Americans that any man had ever furnished. It was made in 1922, when muck-rakers, demagogues and quibblers were as greatly in evidence in the Nation as they are in the present campaign. Despite the fact that press and demagogues were shaking the confidence of the public

generally, this great man, firm in his faith in the honesty of public officials, made a provision in his will, that this huge trust, representing realty in excess of \$5,500,000, be administered by a committee consisting of the Mayor of Boston, city auditor of Boston, president of the Boston City Council, president of the Bar Association and president of the Chamber of Commerce."

## Fitzgerald Speaks

Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald spoke at both Curley rallies, reviewing his public career, since "Mr Mansfield has made my office holding an issue in this campaign."

"During the 37 years since I entered public life," he said, "though in office only 15 of them, I have campaigned for the Democratic party in every part of the country, accepting no remuneration, not even expense money. The only time I met Mr Mansfield on the Democratic platform was when he was a candidate himself, once for State Treasurer and another time for Governor."

He said that he was on the platform for Ex-Mayor Curley in this fight "because I believe that the united front which the Democratic party showed in the State last year, resulting in a majority for Gov Smith, should be perpetuated."

"In conclusion," he said, "there is no comparison in the respective abilities of Mr Curley and Mr Mansfield to meet the big issues that face Boston in the near future. Mr Curley assures me that he will give every ounce of his energy and ability to give Boston an honest and efficient administration, and I am going to take him at his word."

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# MANSFIELD CALLS CURLEY FOUL FIGHTER

Says He Spreads False  
Insinuations, Innuendoes

Charges Insult to Intelligence of  
Every Voter in Boston

Frederick W. Mansfield, candidate for Mayor, accused Ex-Mayor Curley of spreading false insinuations and base innuendoes concerning his connection with an alleged scandal in the building of the Hyde Park High School, at rallies in the Theodore Roosevelt School, Eggleston sq; at the Roger Wolcott School, Norfolk st, Dorchester, and at the Quincy Club, East Boston, last night.

He accused Mr Curley of being a foul fighter, declaring that the Ex-Mayor knows there is absolutely no truth whatever in these insinuations in regard to the school.

"Apparently he has no conception of professional ethics when he attempts to criticize a lawyer for defending a client," he said. "When Mr Curley was defended in the Tylos scandal, would he have the public believe that his lawyer was equally guilty with him of the scandalous charges that were preferred against him at that time? He merely insults the intelligence of every voter in Boston and he also insults every lawyer in the Commonwealth."

## All Entitled to Counsel

"Every accused person is entitled to be defended by counsel and to meet his accusers face to face. This is a basic principal of our constitution. The builder for the Hyde Park High School has not been proved guilty. Charges have been made against him by the Finance Commission. He has the right to present his defense, until that defense is presented, neither Mr Curley nor anyone else has a right to assume that he is guilty. As counsel I did what any upright lawyer would do and defended my client while I was counsel. I resigned as counsel when I announced my candidacy, as I deemed it unethical to represent anyone as attorney whose case might have to come before me later as Mayor."

"Mr Curley knows that there is nothing in my record or my character that I can attack. Hence, by means of false insinuations and base innuendoes, he attempts, by means of this smoke screen, to divert the citizens of Boston from the real issue of this campaign which is, whether the bosses, as typified by him, or the people shall govern this city. It is the duty of any lawyer to defend his client and even if that client were charged with murder he is entitled to be defended. Mr Curley might as well say, that the lawyer who defends a murderer is guilty of murder himself, or that the doctor who treats a patient is suffering from the patient's ailment, as to insinuate to the people because I defended a client that I am guilty of any of the unproved charges which the Finance Commission has made against him."

## Praises Mr Slattery

"Mr Curley attempts to implicate Francis E. Slattery, who was appointed to public office by him. Everyone who knows Mr Slattery knows that he is an honest, upright citizen, and Mr Curley's unfair attack upon Mr Slattery and upon a man who has not had an opportunity to present his defense to the public will merely cause all of Mr Slattery's friends and all right-thinking people to vote for me."

"This unfair and low attack is exactly typical of Mr Curley. But it will gain him nothing. The people will not be deceived and will not be diverted from their task of retiring Mr Curley and his underhanded methods. I am happy to say that I never was under investigation by any tribunal—judicial, semijudicial, legislative, or executive."

"Mr Mansfield announced at the rallies that he had been indorsed by the Ward 4 Democratic committee headed by William J. Shields. He said that this indorsement, together with the one previously from the Ward 15 Democratic committee and the support of Chairman William P. Hickey of the Ward 6 committee 'mean the passing of Curley and the old gang.'"



GLADCE 10/19/29

## NEW EGYPTIAN THEATRE OPENED

Latest \$1,000,000 Netoco  
Playhouse in Brighton

Ex-Mayor Curley Makes Formal  
Address—"Broadway" Shown

The new Egyptian Theatre on Washington st. Brighton, latest of the amusement palaces of the city, opened its doors last night at 8 o'clock to more than 2000 persons, guests of the New England Theatre Operators Corporation. This playhouse, erected at a cost of more than a million dollars, is a great departure from the ordinary run of picture house.

It lives up to its name, Egyptian, even to the cigarettes passed out in the men's smoking room. The new theatre has all of the modern equipment for presentation of talking pictures. It has what is known as a magna scopic screen, which permits of showing specially enlarged pictures, useful in the presentation of dancing and ensemble numbers.

Ex-Mayor James M. Curley formally opened the theatre when he advanced to the stage, and, introduced by the manager, William H. Murphy, made a short address of dedication. Mr Curley said that Cleopatra and Mark Antony would certainly feel at home if they were returned and placed among, what to them, must be familiar surroundings. He added that the building was a tribute to the art and skill of the builders and architects, and all those who had a hand in the organization and erection of the new theatre. He paid tribute not only to the theatre, but to the type of entertainment presented by the Netoco chain. In closing, he complimented Maj Samuel Pinanski, president of the corporation, on the fine work it had done in the theatre to Brighton. He wished him every success in the enterprise.

One of the novel features of the opening was the fact that the master of ceremonies, Linus Travers, was not present on the stage, nor was he seen at any time by the guests of the management. Mr Travers spoke over a microphone from the projection room, and his voice was thrown from the screen, just as one of the talking pictures. This is the first time that an actual voice has ever been used in this way.

The doors were thrown open at 7 o'clock, and the early arrivals were shown about the theatre by a large corps of ushers. The templelike lobby was filled with flowers, and the sunken section of the stage was arranged with flowers and a miniature fountain.

The feature of the program was the Universal picture, "Broadway," starring Evelyn Brent in a film showing gang and show life. The rest of the program was made up of news events and short comedy bits. M. B. Seaver, theatre organist, played several numbers on the console organ. The theatre will have its regular opening to-night, showing "Broadway" and "Our Modern Maidens."

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## NEW THEATRE IN BRIGHTON OPENS

2500 Guests at Informal  
Affair in the Egyptian  
Of the Netoco Chain

PUBLIC INVITED  
TO PROGRAM TONIGHT

Twenty-five hundred specially invited guests were present last night at the informal opening of the Egyptian Theatre, 326 Washington street, Brighton Centre, the latest addition to the New England Theatres Operating Corporation chain. The house will be formally opened to the public tonight.

James M. Curley dropped in and in the presence of the audience congratulated the management on the sumptuousness of the place and for their policy in presenting "clean shows." George H. Johnson, city collector, represented Mayor Nichols.

Linus Travers, in charge of program productions for radio stations WNAC and WEAN, was master of ceremonies.

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The new Netoco Egyptian Theatre at 326 Washington street, Brighton Center, was dedicated last night in the presence of a capacity audience of invited guests who filled the spacious theatre and marvelled at its beauty and harmony of color.

Samuel Pinanski, Netoco president who is responsible for the Egyptian idea in modern theatre decoration, presided at the ceremonies which were directed by Linus Travers who is in charge of production at WNAC and WEAN. Former Mayor Curley made the dedication speech and M. B. Seaver, chief organist of the Netoco Theatres, had charge of the musical programme. Ex-Mayor Curley complimented Mr. Pinanski on his vision in erecting such a magnificent theatre for the people of Brighton. The city was indebted to him, he said, for giving the people a place of entertainment that was artistic and beautiful. The building was a step forward, he declared, in theatre designing and in its rich color scheme which is based on the temple at Karnak, one of the great architectural wonders of Egypt.

HERALD 10/19/29

## Rallies for Tonight By Mayoral Candidates

Boston's three mayoral candidates will address their radio audience tonight from station WNAC, each address being limited to 10 minutes. Mansfield will go on the air at 7:30, Curley at 7:45 and Coakley at 8 o'clock.

Curley and Mansfield will also conduct rallies following their radio speeches in the following places:

Curley—South Boston Municipal building, Congressman John W. McCormack presiding, and Roxbury Memorial high school, Richard F. Andrews presiding.

Mansfield—Dorchester high school for girls, Codman square, Richard M. Walsh presiding; Warren hall, Washington street, Brighton, William T. Donahoe presiding, and William E. Russell school, Columbia road, Dorchester, John McCarthy presiding.

## MANSFIELD

Fighting the Bosses  
SPEAKS

Tonight—8 P. M.

William E. Russell School

Columbia Road, Ward 7

Warren Hall—Brighton, Ward 22

Dorchester High—For Girls

Codman Square, Ward 17

Candidates for Council—School Committee  
Invited

Signature: THOS. D. LAVELLE.  
1914 Beacon Street, Bri.

Hasn't Curley Had Enough?

## RALLIES TONIGHT AT 8 P. M.

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Hon. John F. Fitzgerald

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Hon. Edmund J. Brandon

Hon. Joseph Scolponetti

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EDW. F. McLAUGHLIN, 76 Dunster Rd., J. P.

WILLIAM W. Saxe, 71 Elmhill Ave.

# Young 'Jim' Vahey Boosts

## Curley Economy

### Can Save Two Millions at Kenmore, He Claims

By "INSIDER"

Jim Curley lost an old friend and faithful campaign speaker when Atty. James H. Vahey, labor counsel and veteran war horse of the criminal courts, died last April.

Jim Vahey's voice isn't silenced by the grave, however.

Youthful James H. Vahey, Jr., boyish attorney for the carmen's union, came forward yesterday to speak for his dad. In the first political address of his career, he told an audience at Women's Democratic headquarters that he wished to go on record as backing James M. Curley as a man loyal to his friends and faithful to his trust.

"I haven't lived long enough to know much about many things," young Vahey declared. "I do, however, know something about transportation. I know that transportation is one of Boston's greatest problems. I also know that James M. Curley is fitted as is no other man to solve the transportation question for the city's best benefit.

"There's a \$2,000,000 yearly economic waste at Kenmore sq. With Curley as mayor, that situation could not have developed, nor would it be permitted to exist."

Mayorally Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield is going to have to knock off campaign work for a good part of a day or so next week—just for old times' sake.

There's to be a big druggists' convention in Boston, and Mansfield, who earned his living first as a drug store errand boy, then as drug clerk and registered pharmacist, has promised to attend several sessions.

"I am not the Good Government Association candidate." Thus former Mayor James M. Curley quotes his opponent, Frederick W. Mansfield. "If Mr. Mansfield is not the candidate of the Democratic party of Boston and is not the candidate of the Republican party of Boston, and now proclaims himself not the candidate of the G. G. A. in Boston, will he kindly tell the public just what outside of his own selfish ambitions does he represent?" Candidate Curley questions rhetorically.

*Let those who say that women aren't go-through political sports take cognizance of Mrs. Helen O'Riordan—and be confounded.*

*Mrs. O'Riordan is the daughter of Matt Cummings, veteran Dorchester Democratic worker.*

*She isn't of the flapper generation, certainly, but she is yet far from that white haired maturity which enjoys boasting of advancing years.*

*Nevertheless:*

In the course of a Curley speech at the Hotel Bellevue she declared that she could remember when her dad and Jim Curley were laying campaign plans together.

"And that," she said, "was when Mr. Curley was defeated for the old common council—in 1898.

"And now you know how old I am," she finished all undaunted.

The Curley backers know it. The Women's Democratic Headquarters, through its ward leaders, is organizing hundreds of house parties at the homes of prominent Curley women. Each party includes from ten to 40 guests. Each hostess, without charge, obtains from headquarters a couple of reels of movie film, a movie machine, a screen, and an operator. In between John Gilbert and Clive Brook, James M. Curley makes a brief appearance—in shadow form. That's campaigning up-to-date.

## POST 10/19/29 RAPS MANSFIELD

Fitzgerald Says Only Time He Ever Saw Rival Was When Latter Was Candidate—Urges Democratic Harmony

Speaking at Curley rallies in Jamaica Plain last night, former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald said:

"Mr. Mansfield has made my office holding an issue in this campaign, asserting that I began in 1892 as a member of the Common Council and am at

it yet, saying at the same time that I held the Mayor's office a longer time than anyone else in the city except Mr. Curley.

"It is true that I entered politics in 1892 as a member of the Common Council, but in the 37 years following I held office but 15 years, one year in the Council, two years in the Massachusetts Senate, six years in Congress (three terms), and six years in the Mayor's office (two terms), 15 years in all. I might add that I have not been in City Hall five times since I left it in 1914.

"Josiah Quincy, 2nd, served just as long as I did, six years, while Frederick Lincoln, Jr., served seven years as Mayor of Boston. Mayor Collins, while Mayor but four years, was a candidate five times; Mayor Quincy was a candidate four times and Mayor Matthews four times.

"Governor Smith has been in office almost continuously for 25 years, being a candidate five times for the Governorship of New York and being elected four times, two years each time, and at the expiration of his service in Albany was regarded as the best executive that American public life had produced.

"Senator Walsh has been almost continuously in office for 20 years, being a candidate for Governor three times and for the United States Senate four times, and, in my opinion, will serve in the Senate as long as he desires.

### Only Time He Met Mansfield

"During the 37 years since I entered public life though in office but 15 of them, I have campaigned for the Democratic party in every part of the country, accepting no remuneration, not even expense money. The only times I met Mr. Mansfield on the Democratic platform was when he was a candidate himself, once for State treasurer and another time for Governor.

"I am on the platform for former Mayor Curley in this fight because I believe that the united front which the Democratic party showed in the State last year, resulting in a majority for Governor Smith, should be perpetuated.

"Today Massachusetts has a Democrat in the United States Senate, David I. Walsh, who carried the State by over 125,000 votes, yet through Republican trickery the Democratic party has but one member of the Governor's Council out of eight, nine Democratic State Senators out of 40, 80 members in the House of Representatives out of 240,

and not a single Democrat holding an executive position in the State House.

"In conclusion, there is no comparison in the respective abilities of Mr. Curley and Mr. Mansfield to meet the big issues that face Boston in the near future. Mr. Curley assures me that he will give every ounce of his energy and ability to give Boston an honest and efficient administration, and I am going to take him at his word."



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# DANIEL H. COAKLEY FOR MAYOR





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# FREDERICK W. MANSFELD FOR MAYOR





# ELEMENT OF THE HIGH HAT HAS ENTERED MUNICIPAL POLITICS AND MAY AFFECT BOSTON FIGHT

By WENDELL D. HOWIE

Some of the municipal primary campaigns which ended last week have demonstrated an important element in politics, which may enter into the Boston mayoralty battle as it enters full swing this coming week, and one which ordinarily travels the grapevine route rather than figuring in stump speeches. It is that element commonly known as "the high hat."

When a man has served in public office for a number of years, he sometimes becomes both callous and careless. He is inclined to take a little too much for granted. He is not as warm toward some of his old friends as he might be. He feels his position and becomes oblivious to mutterings and murmurings which he may have heard before, and is too ready to discount them.

The chances are that he is not a bit different than the first time he ran for office. He may have learned to "throw the English language" a bit better; his oratorical gifts may have been developed; his carriage may have been improved. At heart, however, he is probably the same fellow, and even if he has acquired a distinctive mannerism or two, he really means nothing by it. Such progressive processes are merely a part and parcel of the transcendent development of the modern politician.

## OBJECT TO AFFECTATION

It has been shown time after time, however, that the great rank and file of the American people object to affectation, especially in men either in public life or seeking election to public office. The first caution which the ordinary man would sound is "Be yourself."

A good illustration of this fact can be given in the case of Arthur Dehon Hill, appointed last week as counsel to the special commission created by the Legislature to investigate the domination and control of public utilities in Massachusetts by investment corporations. Mr. Hill was appointed district attorney of Suffolk county upon the death of John B. Moran, by the late Gov. Eben S. Draper. He became a candidate for election to the office at the expiration of his term.

Now Mr. Hill's antecedents are such that parts of East Boston and South Boston considered him a highbrow. His evenings were associated in the minds of many people with dinner jackets. Be it said of him that the form of affectation he was accused of adopting was not one to lift him above his normal plane, but to carry him down to the average of the man in the street. He attended a rally in South Boston clad in old clothes and smoking a corncob pipe. His appearance would

not have attracted more comment had he been wearing tights and a silk hat.

This one false step on Mr. Hill's part cost him heavily in votes. His South Boston support disappeared. His case is still being discussed whenever this subject is mentioned. Had he gone to South Boston in evening clothes and smoking a high-priced cigar, the voters would have accepted him warmly, feeling that he was at least being himself. As it was they would have none of him.

## RECENT CASE IN POINT

Last week a candidate for a mayoralty nomination in one of the municipalities holding primaries discovered when the votes had been counted that he had been badly defeated, where he and his friends had looked for certain victory. He could not account for his defeat. He started in to make an investigation and determine, if possible, what had started the steam-roller in his direction.

It did not take long for him to discover what had happened. On the Saturday preceding the primaries he was considered to be far out in front. It appeared that nothing short of a miracle could bring victory to his nearest opponent. The miracle arrived, but in a form which the candidate did not expect.

The unsuccessful aspirant made the fatal error of wearing spats to church on Sunday morning. By Tuesday, when the polls opened, the term "high hat" had gone like wildfire through the city. The candidate had no intention of putting on a high hat, but spats are dangerous things for politicians to wear, especially within 48 hours of primaries or elections.

Of course, it might have been a cane, the cut of a waistcoat or the color of a necktie. Undoubtedly the result would have been the same if the cry of "high hat" was raised.

## SURPRISE IN CAMBRIDGE

The Cambridge primary brought the greatest surprise of the week, with Mayor Edward W. Quinn running second to Richard M. Russell, in a three-cornered contest, and former Mayor J. Edward Barry in third place. It is not difficult, however, to analyze the Cambridge situation. Mayor Quinn, one of the most popular officials Cambridge has ever had, was a victim to a considerable extent of the "high hat" whippers. In his case it was more that he had appeared to become callous and careless toward some of his friends than that he had adopted affectation of dress or speech. Many votes were cast against him for the purpose of "giving him a good scare."

Any one who will try to assume that Mayor Quinn is in for a licking, or that the Russell and Barry votes will now be combined against him, will be shooting far wide of the mark. The mayor will get many of the Barry votes and he will get out a tremendous reserve strength on election day. Dopesters have had him defeated several times in the past, until the votes were counted. He has already patched up some of the misunderstandings that entered into the primary situation.

Some politicians are keenly aware of the "high hat" danger. The late Lewis R. Sullivan of Boston, who was an interesting figure politically, was in this group. He had been in many campaigns, had served in the Legislature and the Governor's council. One day he bought himself a second-hand automobile. It couldn't have cost more than \$150, and he probably bought it on the instalment basis.

Before he drove the car home he scratched his head and wondered if his constituents would feel he was "high-hatting" them by appearing on the streets driving an automobile. He decided he would take as few chances as possible. He drove the car to a garage and had every nut in the machine loosened so that when he finally drove home his family thought a fire truck had pulled up in front of the house.

## BOSTON SITUATION

To return to the Cambridge vote of last week, there were many observers who believed that the Quinn vote may have considerable significance when it comes to the situation in Boston. Former Mayor James M. Curley has been far out in front of the field, consisting of himself, Daniel H. Coakley and Frederick W. Mansfield. One of the chief cries against him has been that he has already served eight years as mayor of Boston, longer than any other mayor in the history of the city, and that it is time to give someone else a chance.

While outwardly an unprecedented state of harmony appears to exist, so far as some of the old-time leaders of the Democratic party are concerned, with respect to Mr. Curley's candidacy, there is a feeling that some of the former mayor's friends resent his attitude toward them in several particulars. They are openly with him in his campaign, but secretly are doing little or nothing for him. They are fearful that if he wins a very pronounced victory, a Curley dynasty will become a reality and little prospect will be held out to the younger budding aspirants for years to come.

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Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic state committee, said last week after the Cambridge result that he was fearful it might have an effect on the Boston situation. He is zealous in former Mayor Curley's cause, particularly since the former mayor referred to him at the Shouse luncheon as one of the best chairmen the state committee has had in its long history. He would hate to see anything happen which would bring other than an overwhelming victory for Curley.

He believes that such a victory is necessary if Democratic success is to be obtained at the state election next year. He is wholeheartedly in the Curley cause, and yet he is not quite satisfied with the situation. There are rumblings under the surface that are disturbing, and besides, if the pendulum should once start swinging in the wrong direction there is no knowing what might happen.

#### FITZGERALD'S ATTITUDE

Former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, who for a year now has kept his Curley swords in their scabbards, has been campaigning nightly for his beloved enemy of other years. He finds his audiences as responsive as ever to his eloquence and appreciates the personal tribute, but he does not especially like the looks of things. Privately he will admit that the Boston mayoralty fight is not yet over, that there is less interest being shown than usual for this stage of a campaign, and that the unrecurrent of talk is not helping Curley any.

Then there is Martin M. Lomasney, the sage of the West end; he is not doing any talking, but is watching the situation closely. He usually waits until the last Sunday of the campaign before he takes his coat off and gives his faithful of the Hendricks Club their instructions.

It is probable that the campaign will take on its first real life tomorrow night in Symphony hall, when Mr. Coakley is to hold forth. He has invited his two opponents to speak from the same platform with him, but he knew in advance that they would not accept. He appears to be the key to the situation. He is chuckling to himself these days, for despite the all-Curley talk that has been heard for weeks, he points out that the former mayor appears to be on the defensive for the first time in his long political career, and that little things seem to be bothering him.

Coakley intends to keep jabbing away with both little and big things, and he plainly says that he hasn't yet started to fight. He will probably have a capacity house when he lets loose tomorrow night, for those who are interested in rough-and-ready politics would not think of missing him.

#### DOES NOT CARE FOR RADIO

Of course, Mr. Coakley has been heard over the radio, but he doesn't care much for radio talks in political campaigns. Radio speeches are considered and it is difficult to be one's self over the radio under such circumstances. Even Mr. Curley will probably admit

this much.

The fact of the matter is that the radio speeches have been difficult for all three candidates. Mr. Coakley has sounded not unlike a Kentucky judge, on the air. Mr. Mansfield has made the best of the situation, although his radio speeches would never win or lose the campaign for him. Of the three, Mr. Curley makes by far the best impression over the radio.

The former mayor is probably one of the most accomplished public speakers in the country today. He has cultivated a delivery that has been imitated by many younger men in the political game. He speaks distinctly. His voice is quite music-like, but there is a feeling among many of his listeners, especially those who know him and have often heard him on the stump, that he overdoes his radio speech-making to some extent.

Their point is that, whether the fault of radio broadcast or not, Mr. Curley's voice at times seems to have a slightly affected tone. Some of his words actually seem to have a strange accent. This was particularly true a week ago last night, when during the course of his radio remarks, the former mayor recited that superb poem, "If," by Rudyard Kipling—one of the greatest poets England ever produced.

It is true that a person's voice sounds different by radio than in a hall, and it is probably this fact which accounts for the situation just described in Mr. Curley's case. Such a situation should be clearly pointed out, for otherwise a misunderstanding might develop, which would cause the former mayor to suffer from circumstances over which he has no control.



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# CURLEY TEMPORARILY BLINDED BY LIGHTS

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## Result of Television Experience —Three Candidates Assail Each Other in Radio Talks

Ex-Mayor James M. Curley appeared at Station WNAC, for the radio rally of the three Mayoral candidates, last night with a green celluloid eyeshade over his brow and a story of how he awoke early yesterday to find himself temporarily blinded, due to having gazed too intently at Kleig lights in a television laboratory on Brookline av, Friday afternoon, where talking motion pictures and a television broadcast of himself in action were taken.

"It was a narrow escape," Mr Curley advised reporters. He said that he had been able to read his radio speech all right, but his eyes still pained him. He added that he had been under constant treatment during the day, but was sure that nothing serious was the matter and that his eyesight would be fully recovered in a short time.

### Trio Assail Each Other

The three candidate opened fire on each other last night in the real, old-fashioned way. Briefly, the highlights were these:

Candidate Frederick W. Mansfield called attention to Mr Curley's billboards and "ballyhoo," declaring the Curley war chest had funds amounting to \$500,000 and inquiring why "Mr Curley and the bosses" were willing to spend this for a job paying only \$20,000 a year for four years.

Candidate Curley quoted anti-Mansfield editorials on his former candidacy for Governor, declared a majority of the signatures placing Mr Mansfield in nomination for Mayor are those of enrolled Republicans and those without party designation, and attacked Mr Mansfield for attempting to close the doors of night law schools.

Candidate Daniel H. Coakley scored his two opponents for their silence on the referendum on whether the Schoolhouse Commission should be abolished, said that the worst continuous grafting place in the City Hall is and always has been the Schoolhouse Commission, because the method of doing business there encourages graft and was intended to encourage graft, and added he was the only candidate in the field with a real issue—public ownership of the Boston Elevated.

### Official Explains About Lights

An official of the television laboratory where Mr Curley's eyes were hurt attributed the trouble entirely to eight to 10 lights installed along three walls of the 25x25-foot studio where the movies and broadcast were made. The official said these lights were owned and installed by the motion picture company.

The official explained that Mr Curley stood with his back against the fourth wall of the room. He said that Mr Curley apparently gazed too intently at the lights, but he could not explain why Mr Curley's face should be swelled up, as the latter had informed reporters. The official pointed out that the television light had nothing to do with the trouble as it is such a small light that one has to look to find it.

He furthermore explained that the operators in the studio gaze at the light most of the day and no one has ever experienced any eyesight trouble from the television light.

Mr Curley said at Station WNAC last night that his eyes bothered him after he left the television laboratory, but he thought nothing of it until he woke up early yesterday to find himself blind. He said he called out to one of his sons to come to his side. He then dressed and took a taxicab to the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Hospital where he connected with Dr H. Boruchoff, a Beacon-st eye specialist, who treated his eyes.

Mr Curley said he then went home and later was attended by his family physician. He said he had been undergoing treatment all day. Mr Curley complained that his face felt swollen also.

### Mr Mansfield's Talk

Mr Mansfield, the first candidate to give a 10-minute radio talk, spoke, in part, as follows:

"Mr Curley thinks the Constitution (of Massachusetts) is of no consequence and is undoubtedly in sympathy with the old-time politician who asked 'What's the Constitution between friends?' He does not know that public office is a public trust. He prefers the old worn-out slogan of the bosses, 'To the victors belong the spoils.'"

"He attempts to ridicule my appeal for financial assistance to carry on my fight against the bosses. But he has no such difficulty."

"Huge billboards, with the impudent slogan telling 800,000 people, Boston needs Curley, campaign headquarters

in every section, daily rallies, newspaper advertising costing over \$1000 a day, and circular advertising and postage tell part of the story, but only part."

"His campaign fund must be enormous; it must be \$500,000. I ask the people where does it come from? Why are Mr Curley and the bosses willing to spend \$500,000 to get a job that pays only \$20,000 a year salary for four years? Do the contributors of this money expect to get it back? If so, who will pay it back? Usually such debts are paid out of the City Treasury, but they will not be paid out of the City Treasury this time because I, not Mr Curley, will be Mayor."

Mr Mansfield then accused Mr Curley of never having pledged himself to an "honest and efficient administration." He said he expected a reply. He said he got one from Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald instead, reading "Mr Curley assures me that he will give every ounce of his energy and ability to give Boston an honest and efficient administration and I am going to take his word for it."

Mr Mansfield asked if the other "bosses" were present when that assurance was given, and what other promises Mr Fitzgerald received. He challenged the other "bosses" to come out and tell what assurance Mr Curley gave them. He accused Mr Curley of going after the Commonwealth vote by erecting a sign reading "Vote for Mr Curley who removed the bumps from Commonwealth av."

"The bumps which Mr Curley said he took out of Commonwealth av cannot hold a candle to the bumps the people will give him on Nov 5," Mr Mansfield said.

### Mr Curley's Address

Mr Curley, the next speaker, began his talk by saying that the support given him in this campaign by political leaders attacked by Mr Mansfield was "once freely given to my opponent and which support he not only sought but which was cheerfully given in money, time and energy."

Mr Curley then quoted editorials from a newspaper in which Mr Mansfield's candidacy for Governor had been attacked. He said in conclusion that he doubted if intelligent Republicans would support Mr Mansfield.

### Mr Coakley Final Speaker

Mr Coakley, whose name was not mentioned by his two opponents, other than by a side remark of Mr Mansfield that he would not discuss Mr Coakley until he (Coakley) gave out his platform, was the final speaker. His talk, in part, follows:

"Honest candidates, instead of talking 'my monuments' and 'my policies' would discuss the issues, state the facts, and tell where they stand. But both, though they've been campaigning two weeks or more, are equally silent on this important question of the Schoolhouse Commission. Shall the graft at the Schoolhouse Commission cease, or shall it go on?"

"They are not tongue-tied, I repeat, but how else are they tied? I am not permitted to tell you over the radio. But I'll be bound by no such rule at Symphony Hall Monday night. And there I'll tell some truths, and talk some facts, and deal without gloves."

"Now all insiders know that, aside from street-widenings and Strandways which greet the Mayor only occasionally, that the worst continuous grafting place in the City Hall is and always has been the Schoolhouse Com-

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mission. It's notorious. I'm not speaking now of any particular administration. Under all administrations it's been true.

"The method of doing business there encourages graft and was intended to encourage graft. Fifty millions of dollars would be a small sum to be set as having been robbed from the city since the Schoolhouse Commission was organized.

"All honest people of both parties passed a bill and sent it to the people for a referendum. I am for the bill, to abolish the commission and graft. Where are Curley and Mansfield? They won't tell. I think I know where they are, and Monday night at Symphony Hall, I'll tell you where they are and why."

### Public Ownership of "L"

Mr Coakley reiterated his stand for public ownership of the Boston Elevated and said he had not yet heard from his two opponents how they stood on this question.

"I'm going to put on a short thriller Monday night entitled, 'From Gangster to Cop' or 'Why I Did Things to Gallivan, O'Brien and Enright, with an epilogue touching on my connection with the Reading-O'Brien conspiracy against Daniel H. Coakley.'"

Mr Coakley concluded with the information that neither of his opponents has accepted the invitation to share the platform at his Symphony Hall rally.

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## CURLEY BLINDED BY CARBON BLAST

Regains Vision with Aid of Specialist—Was Witnessing Experiment

The sudden explosion of a high powered, unprotected carbon light in the eyes of former Mayor Curley as he was watching an experiment in research laboratories on Brookline avenue about 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon almost cost the former mayor his sight, and only the expert attention of Dr. Frederick H. Verhoeff of Brookline shortly after midnight yesterday morning, when Mr. Curley was stricken temporarily blind, saved his vision.

The version of the former mayor regarding the accident was as follows:

I was watching the experiment intently when suddenly came an explosion directly in front of me. I didn't mind it at the time but at my rallies last night my eyes burned and my face felt swollen. Just about midnight I suddenly lost my sight and calling to one of my boys I rushed to Dr. Verhoeff by taxicab. He treated me and placed me under the care of a local doctor. That's all. It was just one of those things. I'll be all right.

## CURLEY'S SIGHT HURT SLIGHTLY BY TELEVISION

Ex-Mayor Reaches Doctor in Time to Prevent Permanent Injury

James M. Curley, former mayor, was almost temporarily blinded during a visit to a television studio Friday.

This was learned last night when he and the two other candidates for mayor, Frederick W. Mansfield and Daniel H. Coakley, visited the WNAC studio to deliver radio addresses. Curley wore a green eye-shade and his face was scorched. He said some of the carbons used in taking a picture had no glass protection to shield one from the burning rays.

He told reporters that at about midnight his face began to swell and he was blinded. He called his son and went to Dr. Verhoeff, an eye specialist. He was treated, and a second doctor continued the treatment all morning, saving his sight.

### ALL THREE SPEAK

Mansfield went on the air first, at 7:30. Each candidate was given 10 minutes. Curley was the next speaker and Coakley last.

Mansfield and Curley continued to pour hot shot at the other. Coakley came out flat-footed for public ownership. He promised he would tell some interesting facts at Symphony Hall tomorrow night.

Mansfield said he was not a candidate of any man or set of men, nor the candidate of any of the bosses. He cited Article VII of the Massachusetts Bill of Rights.

"This article," said he, "contains a severe arraignment of Curley and the bosses and of their old-time discredited methods; of Curley's administration for himself and his henchmen, of his utter disregard for the rights of the people, his arrogance, his assured proprietorship of the city.

"I doubt if he has ever read the city charter or the laws relative to the city. And perhaps it is only fair to say that he has never read the Bill of Rights."

He called attention to the huge billboards of Curley and to his newspaper advertising which, he said, cost \$1000 a day.

"His campaign fund must be \$500,000," he continued. "I ask the people where it comes from? Why are Mr. Curley and the bosses willing to spend \$500,000 to get a job that pays only \$20,000 a year for four years?"

### CITES EDITORIALS

Curley cited an editorial from a Republican organ now supporting Mansfield.

"When my opponent was a candidate for Governor," he said, "that organ declared editorially that 'in their judgment the Democratic party in selecting him as its candidate had touched bottom,' and further declared that 'the party had never made so unfit a nomination in its history.'"

"Of his boasted military record this same organ declared 'that service as an assistant apothecary's clerk for a few months in the Spanish-American war proved the basis of that genuinely military record on which he laid great and continuing emphasis.'"

"My opponent's bark has become a pitiful cry in the morning press and it is unfortunate."

Coakley said neither of the other two candidates had touched a real issue of the campaign. He asked:

"How many of you listening know that when you go to the polls on November 5 you will find on the ballot the question 'Shall the schoolhouse commission, as at present constituted, be abolished?' Shall the graft at the schoolhouse commission cease or shall it go on?"

"The worst continuous grafting place in the City Hall is and always has been the schoolhouse commission. Where are Curley and Mansfield? They won't tell. I think I know where they are, and on Monday night, at Symphony Hall, I'll tell you where they are, and why."



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# CURLEY NEARLY BLINDED

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Television Lights  
Cause Infection of  
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GOES ON WITH RALLY,  
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Latter Says Former  
Mayor "Cleaned  
Out Treasury"

BY WILTON VAUGH

That former Mayor Curley was all but stricken blind at the height of his campaign for re-election was disclosed last night when he appeared at the WNAC broadcasting studio, his face badly swollen, his eyes puffed and a green shade over his brows.

Exposure to the penetrating rays of unshielded carbon lamps in a Brookline avenue television laboratory which he visited late Friday almost robbed him of his eyesight he explained to reporters last night when asked the reason for his use of an eyeshade in reading his 10-minute address over the air.

The former Mayor was visibly suffering from pain, last night, but he insisted upon making his scheduled speech on the radio and going through with his South Boston rally. There the motor of his car was stopped by a crowd of supporters who fastened the machine with ropes and, headed by a band and a red-fire parade, towed him from Andrew square, to the Michael J. Perkins Memorial Hall, where he was given the most enthusiastic ovation of the campaign.

Specialists advised him against exposing his injured eyes to light, but he announced his determination to disappoint none of his audiences, and went through his programme, although he had gone without a wink of sleep for 40 hours.

Went Blind in Both Eyes

It was some hours after he had visited the television laboratory that he got

his first warning that his eyes had been affected by standing before the carbon arc lights. He staged three rallies Friday night, and then went home. About midnight, he went blind in both eyes, he said, as his eyeballs started to burn like fire and his face commenced to swell.

"Calling, I woke up James, Jr., and he took me over to Dr. Frederick H. Verhoeff at Commonwealth avenue, the eminent specialist of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary," Mr. Curley explained. "He treated me and called in a local doctor who worked all night, all morning and all afternoon. It was a close call, but I guess I am all right now."

The near-tragedy did not stem the former Mayor's oratory, for he launched a forceful attack upon the Good Government Association and his opponent, Frederick W. Mansfield.

## "Nobody's Sweetheart"

Curley declared that it was significant that the orchestra played "He's Nobody's Sweetheart Now," as Mansfield entered the broadcasting chamber, and predicted that the orchestra would play the same number for the Good Government candidate on election day.

He called upon Mansfield to explain why he attempted to close the door of opportunity for students of night law schools," and asked his opponent "what he meant when he referred to members of the Massachusetts bar as the 'scum' of the profession."

Hitting back at Curley, Mansfield, at South Boston, Brighton and Dorchester rallies, contended that his opponent was "getting alarmed because he realizes that there will be a Mansfield landslide to victory on Nov. 5." He charged Curley with spending a campaign fund of \$500,000 in his fight for Mayor and pointed out that the mayoral salary for four years reaches only \$80,000.

## "Won't Know Him Election Day"

Mansfield claimed that 10,000 of the 200,000 voters of the city were only children when "Curley started his marathon for public office and they will not even know him on election day."

Then came Candidate Daniel H. Coakley, who said that Curley and Mansfield were talking "piffle" and declining to take a stand on any issue in the campaign. Coakley recalled that a week ago he came out flatly for public ownership of the Elevated system and challenged his opponents to announce their positions on this question.

## "How Are They Tied?"

"Mansfield and Curley are silent. They are dumb on this question," said Coakley. "They are not tongue-tied, but how else are they tied?" he demanded. He protested that he could not tell his audience over the radio why his two opponents have remained silent.

"The studio rules forbid real attacks, however true," Coakley complained. "You may slap your opponent on the wrist, but you mustn't punch him in the jaw," he said, inviting his unseen audience to attend his rally at Symphony Hall tomorrow night if they want to hear some real facts.

Coakley then challenged his opponents to take a stand on the referendum which will be presented to the voters on the election day ballot to determine whether the Schoolhouse Commission should be abolished.

## For Abolition of Commission

Coakley said he was in favor of the abolition of the Schoolhouse Commission, charging that more than \$50,000,000 was

robbed from the city since it was established. "Where are Curley and Mansfield on this bill? They won't tell," replied Coakley to his own question.

Appealing for the passage of the referendum for the abolition of the schoolhouse commission, Coakley said:

"Now all insiders know that aside from street-widenings and strandways which greet the Mayor only occasionally, the worst continuous grafting place in the City Hall is and always has been the schoolhouse commission. It's notorious. I'm not now speaking of any particular administration ...

Under all administrations it's been true. The method of doing business there encourages graft, and was intended to encourage graft. Fifty millions of dollars would be a small sum to set as robbed from the city since the schoolhouse commission was organized. All honest people of both parties passed a bill and sent it to the people for a referendum. I am for the bill—to abolish the commission and graft."

Mansfield, after predicting victory, directed his attack against Curley's campaign fund. Through error he stated over the radio that Curley was spending \$100,000 a day on advertising, but his prepared copy stated \$1000 a day, which the candidate said was the figure he had intended to use.

## "Campaign Fund of \$500,000"

He charged that the bill of rights contained a severe arraignment of Curley and the bosses and of their old-time discredited methods; of Mr. Curley's administrations for himself and his henchmen; of the utter disregard for the rights of the people; of his arrogance; of his assumed proprietorship of the city."

Continuing, Mansfield charged, "his campaign fund must be one-half a million dollars. I ask the people where does it come from? Why are Mr. Curley and the bosses willing to spend \$500,000 to get a job that pays only \$20,000 a year salary? Do the contributors of this money expect to get it back? If so, who will pay it back? Usually such debts are paid out of the city treasury, but they will not be paid out of the city treasury this time, because I, and not Mr. Curley, will be Mayor."

## "Cleaned It Out Last Time"

"Recently Mr. Curley said that when I was Mayor I would not know where the city treasury was. But I do know where the Mayor's office is—and that is the office that I am going to occupy. As for the city treasury, Mr. Curley knows where that is well enough. He cleaned it out the last time he was Mayor," concluded Mansfield.

Following with an attack on Mansfield, Curley said, "The bitter attack made by my opponent upon the leading members of the party which in the past honored him with nomination for high office is unquestionably due to the fact that a majority of the signatures placing him in nomination are those of enrolled Republicans."

"Consequently he should seek his election among his new found friends in the Republican party and yet I believe it will be extremely difficult for him to receive the support of the intelligent members of that party."

## Hyde Park School Case

After comparing what expert political observers had said about Mansfield's political career and Curley's administrations at City Hall, the former Mayor again called attention to his opponent's connection with the Hyde Park High School investigation, saying:

"My opponent, Mr. Mansfield, admits that he was the attorney for the contractor engaged in the construction of

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the Hyde Park High School and upon which contract the Finance Commission claims the city was cheated of more than \$50,000.

"My opponent has discussed at great length his views on Democracy, but his publicly expressed views are in striking contrast with his private acts. Mr. Mansfield and his Good Government bosses now contend that I should be defeated as a candidate for Mayor on the grounds that if successful I might aspire to higher office. This does not seem sound Democracy.

"My opponent's bark has become a pitiful cry in the morning press and it is unfortunate. Bear in mind, Mr. Mansfield, nobody loves a whiner. Don't whine, be a man."

Before a wildly excited throng that filled the South Boston municipal building and overflowed into the street, Curley charged that while Mansfield was pretending to "conduct a campaign of decency and decorum, his lieutenants were indulging in the vilest kind of propaganda, villification, abuse and slander."

### Helped South Boston

"In no section of the city has this been more marked than here in the South Boston section, notwithstanding the fact that as Mayor I provided and expended more money in South Boston than any other portion of the entire city," said Curley.

Directing a crack at Representative William P. "Billso" Hickey, the former Mayor said: "One of your own men who is supporting my opponent asks 'Hasn't Curley had enough?' although he has had some 18 terms in the Legislature against my two terms as Mayor. The question has been reversed in the minds of thoughtful people in the last 10 days and the question they are asking at the present time is, 'Hasn't the Good Government Association had too much, with eight out of the last 12 years at City Hall?'"

Upon the Good Government Association he placed responsibility for "neglecting the Strandway" after he had reclaimed 2,500,000 square feet of land to make it the "best bathing beach on the Atlantic seaboard." It was Curley, he said, who appropriated \$30,000 for an industrial railroad, which made South Boston attractive to industries which give employment to 10,000 workers.

## FAULT NOT TELEVISION COMPANY'S

### Firm Had Nothing to Do With Curley Set-Up

A. M. Morgan, president of the Shortwave & Television Laboratory, Inc., at 70 Brookline avenue, Back Bay, last night declared that the near loss of his eyesight which former Mayor James M. Curley suffered late Friday while making a six-minute "talking movie" was not in any way the fault of this company.

### FACTS NOT UNDERSTOOD

In connection with Mr. Curley's "severe eye injury presumably sustained from being exposed to television lights," as Mr. Morgan expressed it, it was pointed out that any statements to this effect were "due entirely to a misunderstanding of the true facts."

The letter from the television company head further reads:

"With the tremendous public interest in television, it appears necessary to correct a statement which not only is impossible, but is liable to create hostility towards an art which eventually will prove of infinite benefit to mankind."

"The actual story is that we were asked to loan the use of our sound-proof television broadcasting studio for a news feature which was to take a six-minute 'talking movie' of Mr. Curley. The entire equipment of eight or ten Kleig lights, with cameras, was set up either by the news reel people or their representatives. We had absolutely nothing to do with this set-up outside of being interested spectators."

### Studio Semi-Dark

"It should be of interest to you to know that television transmission is of such an entirely different nature that we were compelled to carefully cover our photocells, which reflect transmitted light, so that they would not be ruined by the intense light thrown by the Kleigs. All Television transmission from our studios is accomplished in semi-darkness."

When Mr. Morgan's letter was called to the attention last night of the former Mayor he readily agreed the company's. He said that the television company's mistake, "probably rested with the movie people who made the so-called talking movie."

"I had a rather long conversation with the television people this afternoon by telephone," said Mr. Curley.

"and I now feel certain that they were not at fault. There undoubtedly was something wrong somehow, however, and the fault probably can be blamed on the movie people."

### Did Not Have Facts

"My eyes are practically all better now and I had a good night's sleep last night, which has made me feel much better," he added. "Television is a wonderful thing and I would not care to have any unmerited unfavorable publicity given it. When I spoke to reporters in the WNAC studios Saturday night, I apparently did not have completely correct facts regarding my injury."

At the time Mr. Curley's eyes were affected it was reported his injury resulted from exposure to the penetrating rays of unshielded carbon lamps in the television company's laboratories. For two days his face was badly swollen and his eyes puffed, necessitating him wearing a green eye shade.

Cagle pirouetted through the Harvard line, cake-walked to the goal-line, and did a jig behind the last best points of James M. Curley, Zev, Red Grange and Paavo Nurmi.



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## Coakley Raps 'School Graft' In Radio Speech

### Declares Commission Has Cost City \$50,000,000 Since Institution

Presenting the sensational charge that "the worst and continuous grafting place in City Hall is and always has been the schoolhouse commission" to the radio audience of Boston from station WNAC last night, Daniel H. Coakley, the last entrant into Boston's three-cornered fight for mayor, made good the promise contained in his opening words that he would put pep" into the mayoralty campaign.

Coakley's wholly unlooked for allegation, coming on the heels of the report of the finance commission that the city was charged approximately \$50,000 too much by the contractor who recently completed the erection of the Hyde Park high school, threw city political circles in an uproar and many political observers predicted the entry into the fight of Mayor Nichols and Chairman Francis E. Slattery of the schoolhouse commission.

"It's notorious," Coakley declared in amplifying his charge. "I'm not now speaking of any particular administration. Under all administrations it's been true. The method of doing business, there encourages graft, and was intended to encourage graft. Fifty millions of dollars would be a small sum to set as robbed from the city since the schoolhouse commission was organized. All honest people of both parties passed a bill and sent it to the people for a referendum. I am for the bill, to abolish the commission and graft.

"Where are Curley and Mansfield on that bill? They won't tell. I think I know where they are, and Monday night at my opening rally in Symphony hall I'll tell you where they are and why."

Reports have been in circulation for the past few weeks that Chairman Slattery would take the stump and defend his department in opposition to the referendum. Coakley's open and direct attack, following the broadside hurled by Curley last week at Mansfield for representing the contractor on the Hyde Park job up to the time he announced his candidacy and at the schoolhouse department in general will, close friends of Slattery said last night, draw him into the fight at once.

Coakley, the last of the three mayoral candidates to address the radio audience from station WNAC, was preceded by Curley and Mansfield, who divided honors about evenly. Mansfield, first on the air, radiated

confidence in the ultimate result of the campaign, severely censured Curley for the alleged huge amounts of money he is spending to be elected, and demanded that former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald explain why he is now supporting Curley when he opposed him with a flood of accusations eight years ago. Next came former Mayor James M. Curley, poetically inclined at first with a bit of verse that extolled the value of old friends, to turn immediately to quotations from editorial comment from "Republican organs" that recounted Mansfield's defeat for the governorship in 1917 and ended with the request that Mansfield explain his reasons "for attempting to close the door of opportunity for students of night law schools and just what he meant when he referred to members of the Massachusetts bar as the 'scum of the profession.'"

### BAND AND RED FIRE

Leaving the studio of WNAC to speak at a rally arranged by his supporters in the South Boston municipal building, Curley was greeted by a crowd estimated at from 3500 to 5000 cheering adherents, who lined the streets around the building. Red fire and a military band brought scenes again to the district the campaign of a few years ago, when South Boston was looked upon as the hot bed of city electioneering.

Curley gave way to the city council candidates and refused to displace them at the rostrum. He reviewed the improvements made by him in the district during his two administrations as mayor and declared that he spent more money in South Boston during his two terms as mayor than in any other section of the city.

Mansfield was enthusiastically greeted at Warren Hall, Brighton, and in the auditorium of the Dorchester high schools for girls where an overflow audience received with cheers his attack on former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald and his announcement that the Democratic committees of Wards 15, 16, and 4 had indorsed his candidacy.

### MANSFIELD RAPS CURLEY

In his radio address, Mansfield, quoting again from the Massachusetts bill of rights that "Government is instituted for the common good and not for the profit, honor or private interests of any one man, family or class of men," declared that the section he read "contains a severe arraignment of Curley and the bosses and of their old-time discredited methods."

"In a recent radio address," Mansfield concluded, "Mr. Curley said that when I was mayor I would not know where the city treasury was. But I do know where the mayor's office is, and that is where the office I am going to occupy. As for the city treasury Mr. Curley knows where that is well enough. He cleaned it out the last time he was mayor."

Curley, who preceded Coakley on the air, touched upon Mansfield's admis-

## Mansfield 'Nobody's Sweetheart,' Says Curley

As former Mayor Curley went on the air from station WNAC last night he provided his radio audience and the crowd that filled the studio with a laugh at the expense of his opponent, Frederick W. Mansfield.

"Did you all hear the appropriate air the orchestra played just before my opponent, Frederick W. Mansfield went on the air?" he asked. "The tune was entitled 'He's Nobody's Sweetheart Now,' and it will be played for him again after the ballots have been counted on Nov. 5."

Curley then declared that he had acted as counsel "for the contractor engaged in the construction of the Hyde Park high school and upon which contract the finance commission claims the city was cheated of more than \$50,000." He did not go further on the matter and made no mention in his address of the counter-attack made by Mansfield on Friday night in which the latter declared that Curley's charges "are an insult to every lawyer in the Commonwealth."

"My opponent's bark has become a pitiful cry in the morning press," Curley finished his address, "and it is unfortunate. Bear in mind Mr. Mansfield, nobody loves a whiner. Don't whine, be a man."

Chairman Slattery of the schoolhouse commission when informed of the statement made by Coakley, declined to comment, dismissing the matter with the comment, "I have nothing to say. I am out of politics."

### PARTY ROW LOOMS

#### South Boston Residents See Rift Over Curley Rally

Indication of dissension among certain political leaders in South Boston was seen yesterday in the receipt of telegrams by approximately 100 prominent residents of the district inviting them to attend the Curley rally which was held last night at the South Boston municipal building.

The invitations were sent out on Western Union social message blanks and were dated Oct. 19, hour, 4:43 A. M. They read as follows:

May we have the honor of your presence at the monster reception tendered to the Hon. James M. Curley by the South Boston James M. Curley Club which will be held tonight at the municipal building, South Boston? Kindly present this invitation at the door.

(Signed) EDWARD J. GAFFNEY, president.

Notables who received the special invitation and brought the telegrams to the municipal building found no one at the door to receive them, and they had to replace the telegrams in their pockets and pass in with the common persons.

Democrats in South Boston were saying last night that it was evident that there is dissension among their party leaders regarding who is handling the Curley campaign in their district of the city. They declared that the sending of the telegrams was an attempt by Gaffney to "grab the honor" of holding the rally.



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# JAMES M. CURLEY FOR MAYOR





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## BY CHARLES P. HAVEN

Boston will choose at the coming election a poor boy for Mayor, whether Boston elects ex-Mayor James Michael Curley, ex-State Treasurer Frederick William Mansfield or ex-Library Trustee Daniel Henry Coakley. All three candidates have much in common. There isn't enough difference in their origins, upbringing or training to bring out any strong lineup of class against class.

And they are all "Al Smith" men, an important thing to be in Boston. If there is any degree in their Smithism, Mr. Curley may have a little the bulge, as he was the active ahead of the Al Smith campaign here and was given credit for the big vote the Democratic presidential candidate rolled up in Boston and Massachusetts.

### ALL SELF-MADE MEN

All three are self-educated men and men who have forged their way from paths leading to clerkships, minor sales jobs or merely unskilled labor to unique positions in the life of the city. Ex-Mayor Curley is president of a bank, ex-Treasurer Mansfield is a prominent attorney and president of the Boston Bar Association, while ex-Trustee Coakley was one of the most prominent criminal lawyers of the city.

Where the difference in the men comes in is in their personalities. Ex-Mayor Curley is the vigorous, energetic fighter. The dominating, driving, dynamic personality. When James M. Curley enters a hall or a room, everyone in that hall or room turns to look at James M. Curley. He radiates electric energy and attractiveness. You love Curley or you hate him. But you don't ignore him. You might even call him "Jim."

Frederick W. Mansfield is of the opposite type. One doesn't imagine that many call him "Fred." Mr. Mansfield carries himself with considerable dignity. He has been a public defender of religion, in past years being the star attraction at the meetings of the Common Cause Society in Franklin Union Hall, annually giving a set speech, "The Debt the State Owes the Church." He is a tall man and a not unhandsome one. He and Mr. Curley are both tall men, but Mr. Curley is of much sturdier build.

### Curley and Coakley From Same School

Ex-Trustee Coakley is more of the sociable type than either of his competitors. He has always been known as "Dan" Coakley and is very close to the so-called "gang" vote. "Gang" in the terminology of Boston politics doesn't mean what "gang" has meant since the rackets began to flourish. It, for decades, has meant the group of younger men who belong to political clubs and take an active interest in elections and hasn't, necessarily, any tinge of approbrium.

As to political training and generalship, Curley and Coakley are more nearly alike. Both come from the rough and tumble school. Curley began as a member of the old Common Council and many a time found himself in danger of being slugged during his fights.

"Dan" Coakley is a politician of an earlier day than even Curley. He and such picturesque fighters as "Jerry" Watson, now candidate for the school committee, his brother "Tim" Coakley, "Joe" Dennison, "Joe" Pelletier, Martin Lomasney, John B. Moran, and others the old timers will easily recall, put the punch into Boston politics. Those boys made the name of "Boston pol" synonymous with both a fight and a frolic.

Mr. Mansfield never entered the hurly-burly of Boston politics. Decorum marks the man. He is the model citizen type, prominent in his church and profession.

His decorum and application to his profession have brought him, a poor East Boston boy, to the exalted position of president of the Bar Association of the city of Boston. Other honors have been heaped upon this man who has placed duty as the first aim of his life. He was once elected to the office of State Treasurer, received the nomination of his party for Governor of the State, elected to the American Academy of Political and Social Science and the Boston Chamber of Commerce.

Also, he has been active in fraternal and social organizations, his societies being the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the Knights of Columbus, the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, etc. In his early life he was a pharmacist and served in that capacity in the Spanish war.

### Mansfield a Labor Attorney

His other important connection has been the labor movement, having served as attorney for the American Federation of Labor and labor organizations generally. Mr. Mansfield is 52 years of age. He is married and has one son. He lives on Elm Hill street, Roxbury.

Ex-Mayor Curley is 55 years of age and stands as the fine example of the family man. His wife has been a great factor in his success. Everyone will agree that his affection for his wife and family is a very beautiful thing.

Mr. and Mrs. Curley have had nine children, six of whom are living. They live in a beautiful house on Jamaica Way, which he built after he emerged from minor politics.

### An Old Campaigner

Mr. Coakley is the eldest of the three candidates. He is 64 years of age and not, perhaps, as rugged a man as either of his opponents. Though there is always plenty of fight in "Dan" Coakley. In the last mayoralty campaign in which he was a candidate, he showed remarkable campaigning capacity. Fireworks marked "Dan's" fight.

"Dan" Coakley began his adult life as a conductor on the horse cars of the Cambridge Street Railway. He later entered the newspaper business, became sports editor, boxing referee, and then a member of the bar.

As far back as 1892 "Dan" Coakley was in the Legislature, from old Ward 2, Cambridge, where he lived at the time. He served three terms and was beaten for a fourth. He never ran for office again until the last mayoralty campaign, but was always a factor to be considered in Boston politics.

That, briefly, is the line-up as this is written.